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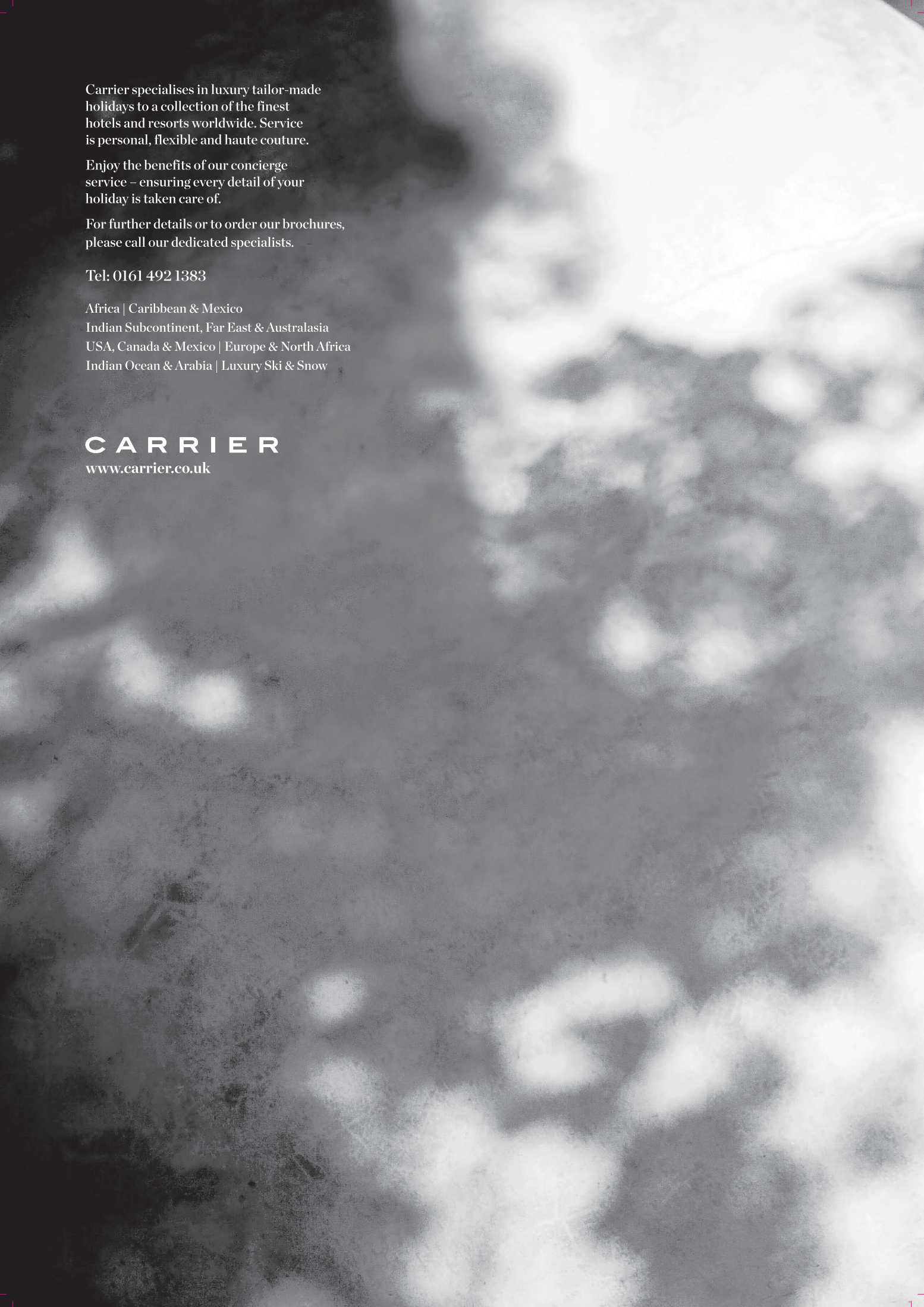
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As we send this issue off to press, London is bracing itself for the arrival of you-know-what. Soon, there will be lots of sinewy men and women running, cycling and jumping across our television screens.

This August, we have swapped the cycling shorts for sequins with our cover star, Ruthie Henshall. Adding a bit of razzle dazzle to our pages, we interviewed the West End star about her upcoming appearance in *Guys and Dolls* at the Cadogan Hall. Read what she has to say about the show on p.10.

Adding another touch of industry glamour, we peel back the curtain on the illustrious Serpentine summer party, not surprisingly it was wall to wall couture. Find out who attended and what they wore.

Aside from the athletic takeover, there's another invasion happening this August – the arrival of the autumn winter collections. This season, it's all about which trend can make the most noise – from surreal optical patterns to overwhelming florals. For a breath of fashion fresh air, we fell for the smart simplicity of Knightsbridge based boutique Logue London.

Summer may not have been on our side these last few weeks, but a little drizzle couldn't possibly keep our food writer, Tom Parker Bowles away from a good meal. This month, he dines alfresco with chef Thomasina Miers and whets our appetite with Antonio Carluccio's favourite Italian recipe.

Meanwhile, Judith Wilson met with one half of the fantastic husband and wife interiors team, Irina Townsend, whose classic showroom Keir Townsend on Old Brompton road has made our home wish list about 20 miles long. Have a peek inside on p. 36.

By now, Olympic fever will have hit London, and I for one am more than happy to go along for the ride. But if you're looking for a much deserved break from the masses, then sit back, relax and enjoy this issue.

Catherine McCabe
Assistant Editor



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J All that Jazz

As the curtain closes on Chicago at the West End, we meet the show's original star, Ruthie Henshall, who will be storming the Cadogan Hall stage this month in *Guys and Dolls*

In the world of musicals, a world where exposed lightbulbs still frame the mirror, Ruthie Henshall is known as a 'triple threat.' A much feared beast in showbiz, she's in the camp of professionals who can sing, dance, and act. But when she comes at you with that Cheshire cat grin, Henshall seems more girl next door than femme fatale. Born in Bromley, her story reads like 50s Hollywood script – girl dreams of becoming a ballerina, but just doesn't have the physique. Girl dreams of a life in theatre and ends up with her name in lights on Broadway. Of course, things are never that simple. After training at Laine Theatre Arts in Surrey, the actress spent years belting her heart out in the chorus line, trying to climb the ladder in what she calls 'the pinafore parts.' It wasn't until 1987, in her appearance in *Cats*, that she finally achieved her West End debut. This was also the year that led her to Prince Edward, with whom she had a much publicised on/off romance. The inevitable headlines of 'The Prince and The Showgirl,' followed, but did little to stop her now soaring career. Though it must be handy that her father, previous editor for the *East Anglian Daily Times*, has always been on hand to offer advice for tricky interviews. "He's an absolute gem, it's been lovely having a journalist as a father – I think possibly people have been kind to me because of it, because he's my daddy," she laughs.

Long before Susan Boyle, Henshall was tugging heartstrings with 'I Dreamed a Dream' as Fantine in *Les Misérables*. But it was her role as the inaugural Roxie Hart in *Chicago* that transformed her from show girl into show queen. The timing was just right – news of the show's transatlantic success had

trickled through to the public, and the storyline was riding right on the coattails of the O.J. Simpson trial. *Chicago* was murderous, salacious and sexy – and the crowds just kept coming. As Henshall once put it, "we knew we had this express train that was leaving the station."

Taking up the torch for Adelaide, her character in *Guys and Dolls* at the Cadogan Hall, Henshall will spend her time in Chelsea chasing her man, rather than trying to put him six feet under. "Any woman that's in musical theatre wants to be in *Guys and Dolls*. It has all the great numbers you know – of course my favourite has got to be Adelaide's Lament." The show will be narrated by the gravelly tone of 70s cockney hero Dennis Waterman.

"I've grown up with him from doing *The Sweeney*, so I'm really am excited to be working with him," she says with a genuine enthusiasm.

Henshall is one of the few musical theatre stars to side step her way onto television. For two seasons, she sat on the judging panel for *Dancing on Ice*, a decision which was often questioned. Although she has donned many dancing shoes in her time, she had no experience on the rink. The actress describes how, at times, it was like stepping off the stage and into a gladiatorial arena "You are more of a target when you are giving your opinion and you are on television, I have never been booed so much in my life. It's not a nice feeling, you're not always popular. I wouldn't do it again unless it was for something I was interested in."

When interviewing a long-standing member of the musical community, it's hard to believe that they really love this repetitive world as much as they imply. When Henshall gushes about her career, is it the truth – or is she, like many of the others, just giving the old razzle dazzle? "I've forgotten words »"



Guys and Dolls will preview in the grand surroundings of The Cadogan Hall

“I’ve forgotten words in nearly every show I’ve been in, you always want the ground to open up and swallow you whole”

on nearly every single show I’ve done and it never gets any easier. You always feel like you want the ground to open up and swallow you,” she admits, “but I live and breathe musicals, I really do love it.”

But as a mother of two young daughters, committing to a conveyor belt of shows isn’t quite as easy as it once was. Now residing in Suffolk, she divides her time between short-run concerts, TV appearances and is a patron for her local charity, Suffolk family carers. “Because my children are only young once, I figure that when they are 14 they won’t care if I’m going out and doing eight shows a week. But right now is the important bit.” So are her little ones, Dolly age 7 and Lily, 8 starting to tap their toes to the Chicago soundtrack yet? “Not so much. Lily doesn’t want to be looked at, she doesn’t like being up on a stage but Dolly loves it. They both have great voices, they seem to have inherited it, but if they’ll use it...who knows?”

Towards the end of our conversation, it occurs to me that few performers will know London’s theatres better than Ruthie Henshall, and so, naturally, I probe her for gossip. Is there any rude graffiti about celebrities past in the dressing rooms, I wonder? “The thing you need to know about what’s back stage, is that it is just in no way glamorous at all,” she laughs. “Normally the paint is peeling off the walls, and the general ensemble is about ten to a dressing room.” Sensing my disappointment, she decides to let me in on one little theatre secret. “But what I do love, is ‘the ghost light.’ Every night, the lights will go out, but we always leave one bulb on – for the ghosts of the theatre.” }

Ruthie Henshall will star in Guys and Dolls at The Cadogan Hall Wednesday 22 August-Saturday 25 August, find tickets at: cadoganhall.com



Ute Lemper and Ruthie Henshall in Chicago, 1997



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Guests enjoying the BBQ spread



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The Serpentine Gallery's annual summer party is rapidly becoming one of the most eagerly anticipated social occasions of the year, and the 2012 celebration did not disappoint.

Directors Julia Peyton-Jones and Hans-Ulrich Obrist welcomed a wide variety of guests, including Laura Bailey, Mary Charteris, Kelly Hoppen, Erin O'Connor and Amber Le Bon who was wearing a green dress from party sponsor Leon Max.

The focal point of the party was the 2012 pavilion, and guests also admired the contemporary artwork on display as they sipped their glasses of Laurent Perrier.

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proud.co.uk

WEDNESDAY

- 01** Aashni & Co is an exciting high-end multi designer store opening on Ledbury Road. Featuring the top Indian designers with their Haute Couture, ready-to-wear collections and accessories, it fuses the best of east and west.
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*Saatchi Gallery, Duke Of York's HQ, King's Road SW3 4RY
saatchi-gallery.co.uk*



At the Natural History Museum this August you will be able to explore the story of Robert Falcon Scott's last expedition to Antarctica. This exhibition marks the centenary of Scott reaching the South Pole. Until 2 September.
*Ticket Prices: Adults £9/ child and concessions £5.50
Cromwell Road SW7 5BD
nhm.ac.uk*

FRIDAY

- 03** The V&A is hosting an evening of elegance and glamour. As part of the Exhibition Road Show, Utterly Elegant will be a quintessentially British affair, with visitors encouraged to dress up in their best frocks.
*Free, The Victoria and Albert Museum, Cromwell Road SW7 2RL
exhibitionroadshow.co.uk*



TUESDAY

- 07** The Great British Beer Festival returns to Olympia, bringing with it a wide range of real ales, ciders, and international beers for you to sample. Fancy yourself as an ale expert? Then try a tutored tasting while you're there.
*Olympia, Hammersmith Road W14 8UX
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TUESDAY

- 07** Ramble in the Park offers you the chance to discover bats after dusk. Guided by the Isis Education Centre Team you will get the chance to see three different bat species and perhaps even hear owl calls.
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THURSDAY

- 16** Embrace the Proms at the Royal Albert Hall with Vaughan Williams. Expect powerful symphonies with Andrew Manze conducting the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth. Starts at 7.30pm.
*The Royal Albert Hall SW7 2AP
royalalberthall.com*



FRIDAY

- 17** The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea is hosting a family fun day. Enjoy sports, games, face painting, bike riding, environmental projects and lots more!
*12pm-4.30pm
Emslie Hornimans Park
Southern Row W10 5AN*

THURSDAY

- 23** Carnival Village presents '20 years of the London Calypso Tent'. The ultimate precursor to the Notting Hill Carnival, this year promises to be the best yet – with special guests from around the globe. 7.30pm, tickets £10 in advance, £12 on the door. *tabernaclew11.com*

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Local *news* by Hannah Samson-Barry



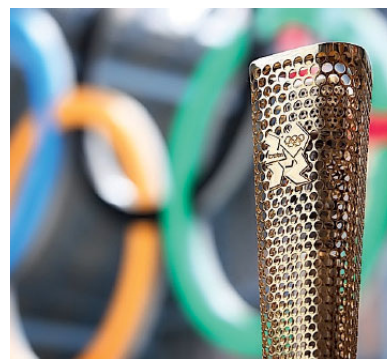
To fly, to serve

Lord Colin Marshall of Knightsbridge, the long-serving executive of British Airways sadly passed away at the age of 78. Never having gone to university, he instead opted, as he put it, to "run away to sea" as he went into Orient Shipping at 17 years old. He joined BA in 1983 and his focus on transforming the airline coined the memorable motto 'To Fly, To Serve' as well as advertising as 'The world's favourite airline.' Lord Colin Marshall's wife Lady Marshall and their daughter survive him.



South West Fest

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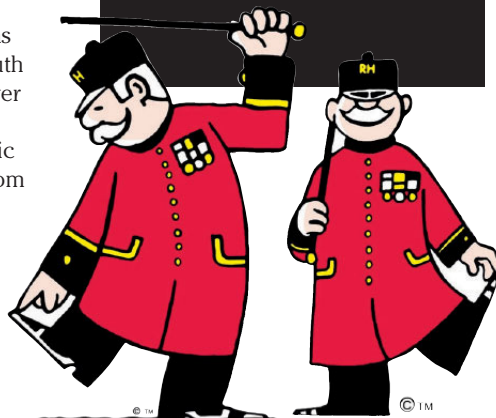
Royal Hospital News

As we go to press, the Royal Hospital Chelsea will be getting ready to welcome the Olympic torch to the Kensington and Chelsea borough with new mayor, Cllr Christopher Buckmaster. The councillor will be joined in his celebration by Mayoress Anne Hobson, Baroness Hanham and of course, a group of our very own Chelsea Pensioners.

In anticipation of the event, Cllr Buckmaster said: "The torch is creating a great deal of excitement as it makes its way around the country and I am sure that it will receive a marvellous welcome. From the moment it is greeted by our Chelsea Pensioners, all associated with the torch will know they are in a special borough."

In other news, tickets for the famous Royal Hospital Chelsea concerts are now on sale. The series of concerts, which begin Wednesday 26 September, will feature a great variety of top-class performances, including the fantastic Chapel Choir of the Royal Hospital.

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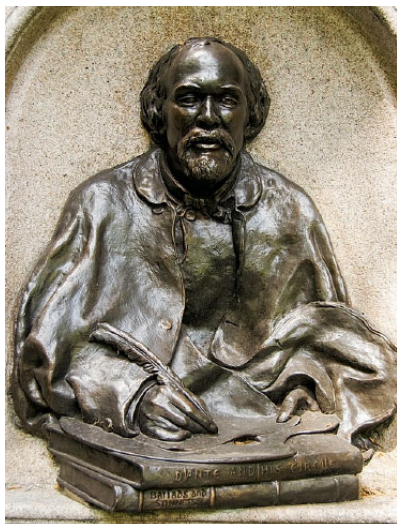
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Alexander Larman explores
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the men and women behind
the blue plaques »»



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AA Milne, creator of Winnie the Pooh, once lived and worked at 13 Mallord Street



Bram Stoker dreamed up Dracula a 18 St Leonard's Terrace

Every time you walk past a blue plaque on some grand building or house, it's tempting to look up and speculate on the life of the person who lived there. Would they have spent their most successful years there, or was it somewhere where they were born and soon left? Did the place itself occupy a crucial place in their work and in their imagination, or was it just a coincidence that their famous inhabitant happened to spend some time there?

Either way, Kensington & Chelsea is blessed with what seems like hundreds of places with blue plaques on them. There are some modern-day imitators, but the official kind are awarded by English Heritage. The rules are fairly strict. Plaques have to be awarded 20 years after death. According to Howard Spencer, one of their experts, "The point of this is to make sure a particular candidate is judged on their historical worth, and that their fame is enduring." Criteria include having made 'some important positive contribution to human welfare or happiness' and having 'exceptional and outstanding personalities.' It's also got to be the actual building that you lived in, so if it's demolished or otherwise altered, then the link is deemed to be severed.

The first plaque commemorated Lord Byron, and was erected in 1867, roughly where the John Lewis on Oxford Street now is. There are 870 plaques around London, with an average of nine being added a year. Each plaque takes two months to complete, and is said to add interest and value to a property, although this has been largely anecdotal. For Spencer, a recent favourite is that of Fred Perry – "England has produced so few genuine sporting world-beaters, so it was really good to see his plaque go up."

Discover the blue plaques of Kensington & Chelsea

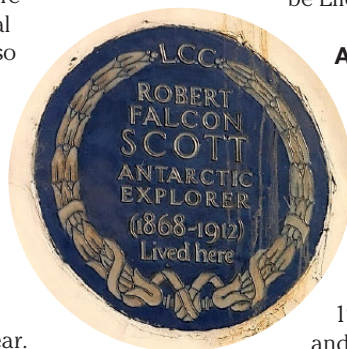
Oscar Wilde

One of the best-known blue plaques in London, the plaque on 34 Tite Street SW3 commemorates the 11 years that Wilde lived at this prestigious address, from 1884-1895. He wrote most of his greatest work at this house, where he lived with his wife and sons. Eventually, he found himself swapping his charming Chelsea surroundings for the rather more unpleasant confines of a jail cell, after his failed libel action against the Marquis of Queensberry.



George Eliot

May Anne Evans was one of the greatest writers of the 19th century. Adopting the pseudonym George Eliot for fear that a female novelist would never be published, she wrote such classic books as *Middlemarch* and *Mill On The Floss*. Her personal life was unconventional as well, as she lived with her lover George Lewes from 1854 to 1878. She moved to 4 Cheyne Walk SW3 that year, but it was to be Eliot's final house.



AA Milne

If you've ever enjoyed a *Winnie the Pooh* book, then a visit to 13 Mallord Street SW3 to see where both Winnie and Christopher Robin were born is an obligatory literary pilgrimage. Milne, already a hugely successful writer by the time that he moved to the house in 1920, wrote *Winnie The Pooh* in 1926, and it proved to be an instant success.

He lived at the address until 1939, when he moved to East Sussex.

Bram Stoker

The legendary creator of *Dracula* was in fact a mild-mannered Irishman who first moved to his address at 18 St Leonard's Terrace in SW3



‘Blue plaques have to be awarded 20 years after the person’s death, so that they may be judged on their historical worth’

1896. Stoker wrote many novels, often featuring a fantastical or horrific subject, but he is most famous for creating literature’s most enduring vampire, even if he was himself horrified at the way the character was misrepresented. He eventually moved to Pimlico, but not before creating *Dracula* at his Chelsea home in 1897.

Dante Gabriel Rossetti

The artist and poet Rossetti lived at Tudor House at 16 Cheyne Walk for two decades, between 1862 and 1882. He had a rather miserable existence while he lived in Chelsea; after he had formed the pre-Raphaelite brotherhood with the likes of Holman Hunt and Burne-Jones, he had married his model Elizabeth Siddal, only for her to die in 1862, occasioning his move.

Scott of the Antarctic

Captain Robert Falcon Scott might seem to be more associated with Arctic and Antarctic frozen wastes than the streets of Chelsea, but he lived at 56 Oakley Street between 1904 and 1908. He was already a legend by the time he moved to the house with his mother and sister, due to his successful expedition on the *Discovery*, where he founded King Edward VII Land. He left the house upon his marriage in 1908, only a few years before his premature death at the South Pole in 1912.

T.S. Eliot

Arguably the greatest Modernist poet and creator of *Old Possum’s Book Of Practical Cats*, TS Eliot had strong Kensington connections throughout his life, acting as an air raid warden in WW2 and then as an usher at St Stephen’s Church on Gloucester



Road. After a disastrous first marriage when he was younger, he married Valerie Fletcher in 1957, and they moved to 3 Kensington Court Gardens W8, where he lived until his death in 1965.

Benjamin Britten

Britten was one of England’s most versatile and talented composers in the 20th century, writing everything from operas to *The Young Person’s Guide To The Orchestra*. He lived at 173 Cromwell Road SW7 while he was a student at the Royal College of Music between 1931 and 1933.

Winston Churchill

Churchill might be more associated with 10 Downing Street and his country house at Chartwell than Kensington, but he spent the last 20 years of his life, from 1945 to 1965, in the grand surroundings of 28 Hyde Park Gate SW7, with a brief return to Downing Street from 1951-5. Here, he wrote his magnum opus, a history of WW2, and was made a Freeman of the Borough of Kensington and Chelsea in 1949.

Alfred Hitchcock

The ‘Master of Suspense’ was born in Leytonstone but, by 1926, his career had advanced sufficiently for him to be able to move to the more salubrious settings of 153 Cromwell Road SW7. He lived here until 1939, when he moved to America. His London house was notable for being designed as if it were a film set in its own right, enabling him to do as much work on his pictures as if he were at the studio. }

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Last days of summer

Are the holidays making your little ones restless? Catherine McCabe finds 14 fun ways to keep the kids entertained

If you go down to the woods today...

On Monday 13 August, members of Maggie and Rose will escape the activity room and head for the hills to celebrate The Maddest Madhatters Teddy Bears' Tea Party. An afternoon of hat making, music and Mr Kipling cakes, the party promises to be a great event for both teddy and baby. Join the crowd for a spot of tea from 10am, or an afternoon session from 4-5pm. £40 for guests. »»

58 Pembroke Road W8 6NX; 020 7371 220, maggieandrose.com

Eye on the ball

Murray's recent disappointment at Wimbledon was a sad day for British tennis, but the country has never been so excited by the game. Menace Tennis, based in SW6 specialise in courses for ages seven to 14. The courses offer

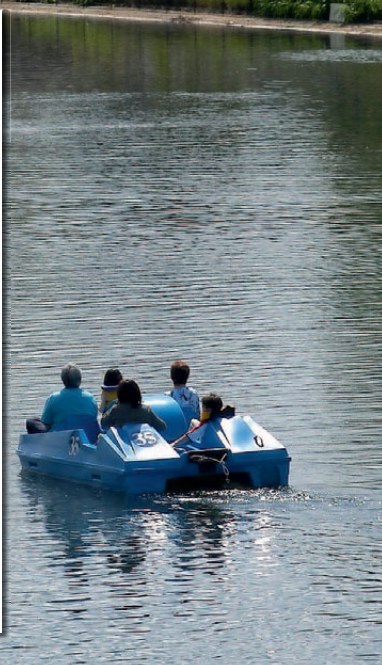
a mix of team games, drills and doubles tournaments. You never know who might be the next Federer. Kensington Prep School will be hosting a Tennis Menace course on 23 and 24 August, £35 per day.

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Pedal power

We may still be waiting for summer to properly arrive, but even a grey sky can't dampen a day on a pedalo. Boating on the Serpentine is an idyllic activity, and the pedalos may look dinky, but they can hold a family of six. If you fancy an upgrade, take a ride on the Solarshuttle, which is powered by the sun and can hold up to 40. Family tickets are £25. 10am-8pm daily. 020 7262 1330 solarshuttle.co.uk

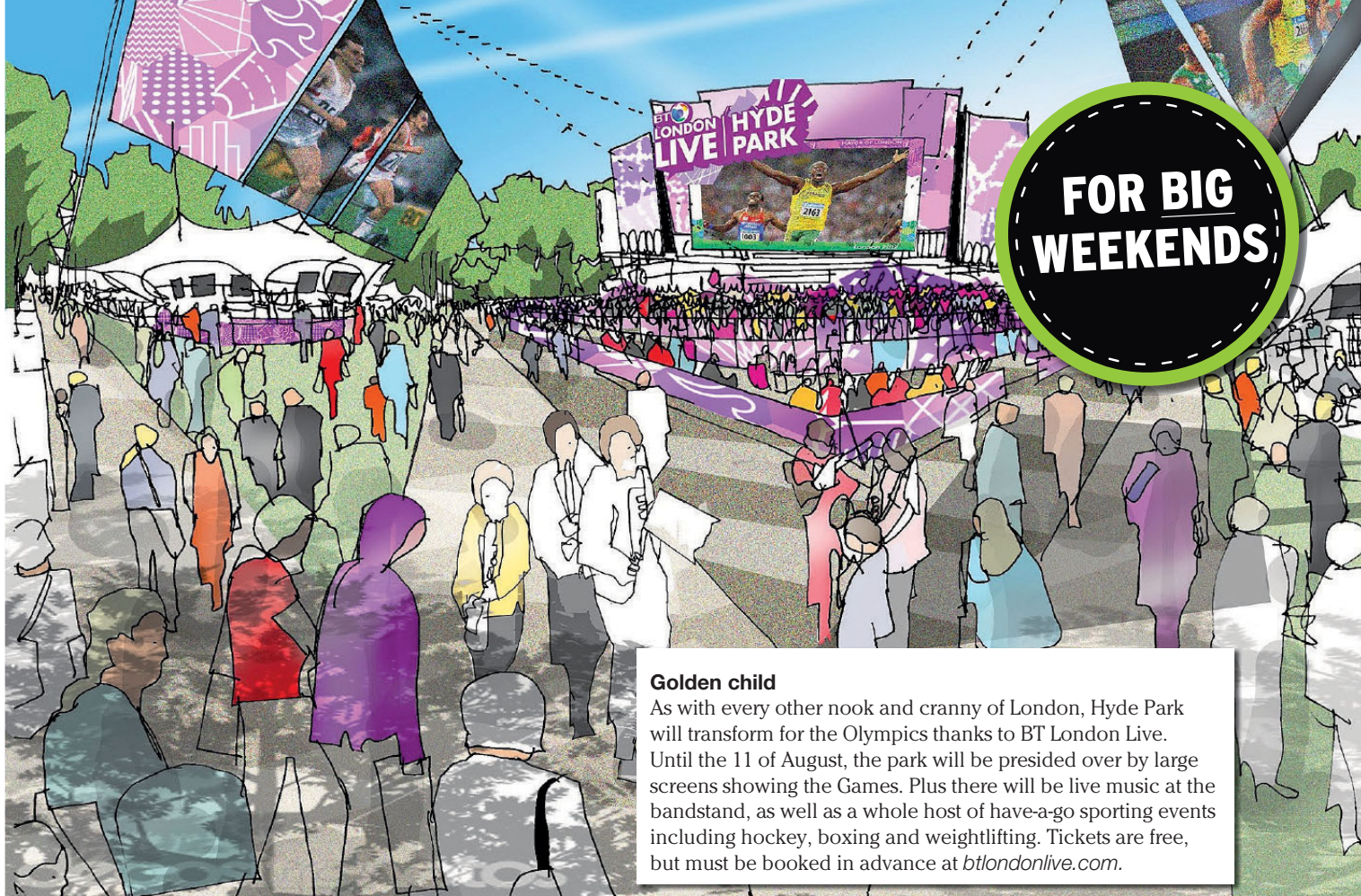


▼ Fit for a Princess

Diana Memorial Playground in Kensington Gardens has provided a woody wonderland for children for more than 12 years. Recently refurbished, the playground is situated opposite the Princess of Wales' old residence. An enormous pirate ship takes centre stage, surrounded by sand and teepees, so buckets and spades are a must. The provision of toilets, nappy-changing facilities and a café mean it's easy to hang out here for hours. Be warned – the playground gets incredibly busy on sunny days. Unaccompanied adults will be refused entry, so if you want to play, make sure your child is in tow. Open 10am to 7.45pm, free entry.

Near Black Lion Gate Broad Walk, Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens W2 2UH, royalparks.org.uk





FOR BIG WEEKENDS

Golden child

As with every other nook and cranny of London, Hyde Park will transform for the Olympics thanks to BT London Live. Until the 11 of August, the park will be presided over by large screens showing the Games. Plus there will be live music at the bandstand, as well as a whole host of have-a-go sporting events including hockey, boxing and weightlifting. Tickets are free, but must be booked in advance at btlondonlive.com.



▲ MMMBop

The Lollibop festival in Regent's Park is the UK's largest festival for kids, and this three day event offers an overwhelming programme of beatboxing workshops, baby ballet, and even a Roald Dahl storytelling centre. Lollibop is aimed at under 10s, but older children won't be out of place; there's a designated 'Tween Town' where you can experience the laser room, or learn a new skill, such as hula hooping. From 17 -19 August. Tickets £25 or £92 for a family of four. lollibopfestival.co.uk



Bewitching theatre

If you haven't already, experience *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* theatre production at Kensington Gardens. ThreeSixty Theatre's take on C.S. Lewis' enchanting story uses masterful puppetry and ground-breaking video sound, and so far, the production has received rave reviews. Until 9 September, tickets from \$45. lionwitchtheshow.com



◀ Broadway babies

The West End will continue the tradition of Kid's Week (1 to 31 August) allowing any child under 16 free entry to a number of performances when accompanied by an adult. There will also be a series of workshops including a Nigerian Traditional Dress session. Tickets for family favourites including *When the Tiger Came to Tea* will be available free of charge to under fives. 0844 248 5151, kidsweek.co.uk »



Classes, courses and workshops



▲ Mini maestros

Though better known for their junior cookery classes, Maggie and Rose also offer specially crafted music programmes for children as young as six months. The Music Mayhem sessions will introduce little ones to rhythm and sound. Monday 6 August, 9.30am -10.15am, £25 for M&R members, £40 for guests. maggieandrose.com

► Class act

The Chickenshed theatre group, one of the country's leading theatre companies, will be hosting a series of workshops to explore the Olympics in a creative way. Incorporating everything from Street Dance to Bollywood, the course will culminate with a unique closing ceremony. Taking place at the Chelsea Theatre, 3 August, £40 aimed at ages 8 to 12 years. Chelsea Theatre, 7 World's End Place, SW10 0DR



◀ Young Spielberg

The Young Film Academy will be running the Four Day Film School, where your child will get the chance to try their hand at acting, writing, editing, camerawork and fight choreography. Once the masterpiece is complete, the cast, crew and family will be invited to a premier of the film at an exclusive West End screening room and each student will be given a DVD. Classes available from 6 to 9 August for ages 15 -18 (St Johns Wood) and 28 - 31 August (Chelsea) Both £395.

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youngfilmacademy.co.uk



Cookie Monster

A short baking course at Cookie Crumbles is ideal for budding Nigellas. Young cooks are encouraged to experience cooking through play and on 14 August from 2-5pm children aged five to 12 years can learn to make American Cupcakes and milkshakes. £40. cookiecrumbles.co.uk



▲ K&C Gymboree

Children can dive into the ball pool at Bramley's Big Adventure in North Kensington. Open daily until 6pm, £6 entry for over 5s. Other local venues include Courtney's Jungle Gym at Kensington Leisure centre. bramleysbig.co.uk



For rainy days

◀ Kiddie dress-up box

You don't have to wait for Halloween to play dress-up. Online stockist Kiddymania offer everything from Gruffalo outfits to this adorable baby strawberry costume, £17. It's not just play clothes either, the site sells a whole range of beautiful organic baby clothes. Find them at: kiddymania.co.uk

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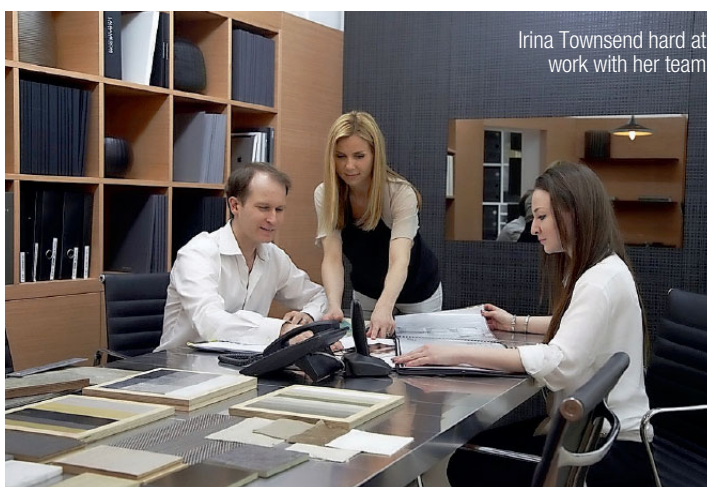
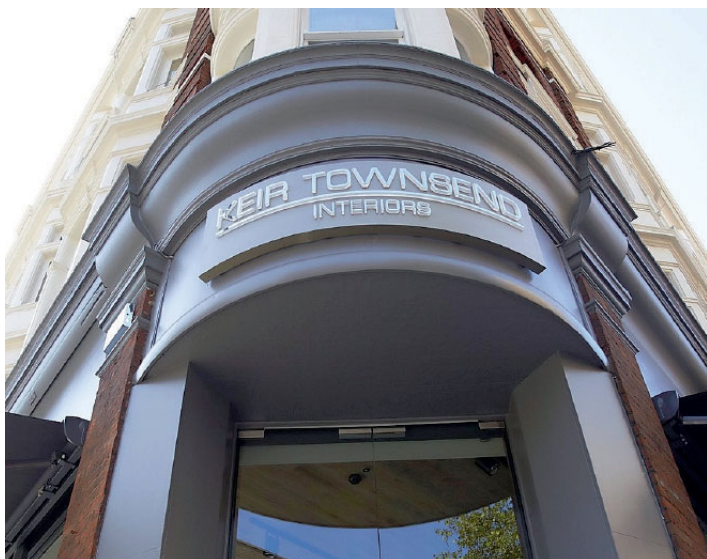
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This month..We're discovering the interior designers who seem to have it all, like husband and wife team Keir Townsend, who are wowing locals at their new showroom on Old Brompton Road. Then straight off the catwalk and into the living room is the Parisian Alan Guillaume who creates unique, luxe spaces that have been immortalised in shoots for Dior. Guillaume recently launched his first UK store in Mayfair, pictured here. guillaume-alan.com



Irina Townsend hard at work with her team



New in town

Judith Wilson meets designer of the moment, Irina Townsend

Earlier this summer, the husband and wife interior design team Keir Townsend threw open the doors to their new interiors retail showroom in South Kensington, a brisk five minutes' walk from The Conran Shop. It is stocked with a tempting array of original furniture, lighting and accessories, and is already a resounding success. "Since opening we have secured five residential commissions from nearby clients, all delighted to have a 'local' interior designer," says Irina Townsend.

Restaurant cognoscenti will already know of Keir Townsend, as they were the design team behind the Mayfair restaurant, Novikov, opened in late 2011. With its 'gastronomic theatre' of open show kitchens, Asian and Italian themed dining rooms, and a sultry lounge bar, the project has been the perfect showcase for Keir Townsend's skills. Within the restaurant they've used highly tactile and visually

exciting textures, including a translucent concrete and glass composite bar front. "And the Italian room has a highly advanced lighting programme to mimic dawn to dusk settings, and even moonlight," she says.

Designer Townsend and her chartered surveyor husband, Alastair Keir, launched their interior design practice in 2010 in the middle of the recession, but felt the time was right for them. "We had separately worked for commercial design firms," Townsend says. "But we were doing projects for friends and had developed a strong residential sideline." Now they have a six-strong in-house design team, and work from a chic studio beneath the showroom. Opening the retail arm was a deliberate new string to their bow. "We use lots of textures and furniture-as-art in our work," explains Townsend. "We wanted to highlight exactly what we can do."



“Inevitably as a husband and wife team we talk about work, but we love what we do, so it’s never a chore”

The Keir Townsend approach is truly holistic: when working on commercial projects, for example, they can do everything from focus group research to rebranding. Right now, in addition to private commissions, they are working on the concept for a central London restaurant, plus a hotel and spa in Surrey. “We are committed to creating unique living environments,” she says. “For private clients, that means a home that is an inspiring space and a talking point, but also one that is relaxing.”

Keir Townsend’s look is classic-contemporary with a strong international vibe. That’s no surprise, as Irina deliberately brings a global viewpoint to her design work. She travelled the world with her diplomat parents, then studied Fine Art in Russia and interior design in South Africa. She travels frequently in Europe to seek out new designers, often working closely with artisans. The showroom stocks work by the Tuscan-based design team Il Pezzo Mancante, which includes hand-crafted crystal chandeliers, a walnut and ash table with sculptural metal legs, and carved wood cabinets. “We have amassed some beautiful statement pieces,” she says. “We wanted the art and furniture to spark off new emotions.” As well as unusual outdoor tables, which resemble pebble stone sculptures, there is chic metal-clad furniture, and wood flooring with stone inlays.

Irina and Alastair clearly balance one another’s skills. Townsend says that they have a dynamic partnership, because they can offer both solid technical services and creative design work. Sometimes there is a particularly fruitful crossover between their separate disciplines. “Alastair has an excellent design eye, and will come up with brilliant yet simple solutions,” she says. As an interior practice, their trademark approach is to use experimental and unusual finishes, and visitors to the showroom should expect to see recycled glass, fabric laminated in glass and carved wood panels.

Newly ensconced in their studio and showroom, Townsend explains that they have always been based on Old Brompton Road. “We live above the shop and used to have another studio across the road,” she says. The couple have a 16-month-old son, so even if there are long work evenings, or a busy day with clients, it’s possible to seamlessly integrate a healthy work-life balance. “Inevitably as a husband and wife team we talk about work,” Townsend says. “But we love what we do, so it never feels like a chore.” And in addition to new clients based close by, Townsend says that they’ve been delighted to see interior designers dropping by, too. “They come in for a cup of coffee and it feels very villagey,” she says. “It’s nice to be a local business.” }



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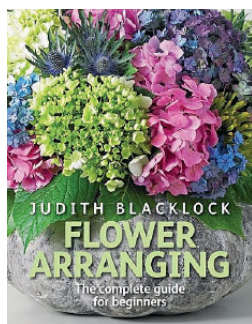
This month you should..

Make the most of the sun when it comes out. The Garden Trading website, gardentrading.co.uk has a good selection of outdoor furniture, from Rattan chairs (£130 each) to the New Rocker, a luxuriously upholstered swing seat (£2195). Best of all is their stripy deckchair (£70), featuring a beech frame and a traditional cotton canvas cover, plus a removable padded head cushion, gardentrading.co.uk ... and for al fresco dining, dip into Anthropologie. Their new Fall 2012 collection includes some very pretty Crinkle glasses in late summer shades (£6 each). anthropologie.eu



Interiors

by Judith Wilson

**Book review**

Judith Blacklock's flower school has been flourishing in Knightsbridge for 12 years. This summer, Judith publishes her latest book, *Flower Arranging: The Complete Guide for Beginners* (The Flower Press, £25). It is filled with expert tips on how to combine flowers and foliage to best effect, plus principles of good design. For more visit judithblacklock.com

It's a snip

Summer may not be over, but the high street stores are already filling up with great Autumn/Winter buys. M&S have three key 'stories': Clerkenwell, which is an eclectic mix of 1950s influences, Caravan, featuring bohemian styling with a fresh, modern twist, and Kensington, all sophisticated lines and pale tones. We're in love with this cute Caravan embroidered pouffe (£75), adding a splash of colour at a brilliant price, and the Caravan Bird Lantern (£19.50), just the thing for late summer BBQs. marksandspencer.com

**Go online and...**

Check out the inspiring Anna Morgan website. Although the Anna Morgan interiors shops are up north in Harrogate and Ilkley, they deliver countrywide. The website is a great place to come for classic and contemporary upholstery, soft furnishings, furniture and giftware. For summer, we love the blood orange classic soy candles (£19.99), available from the collection pictured above. For more, visit anna-morgan.com

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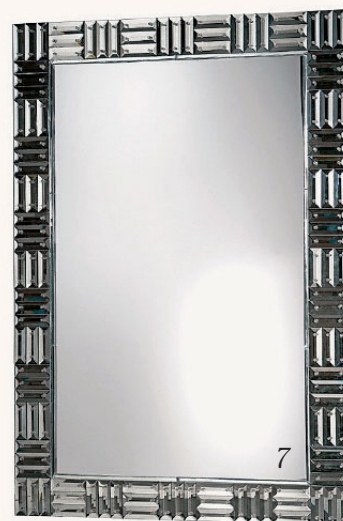
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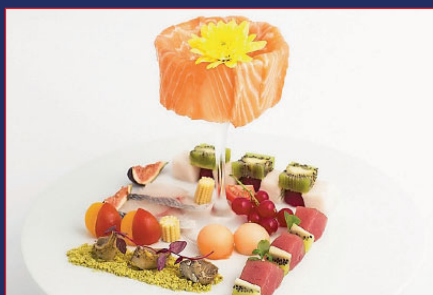


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Tom Parker Bowles chooses his favourite Italian recipe from Antonio Carluccio, enjoys an alfresco lunch with Thomasina Miers at Dock Kitchen, and champions his food hero, Irish chef Richard Corrigan.

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FIVE A DAY

Take a journey through London's finest markets

To some, it's little more than a tourist hotspot, a sanitised vision of a London long passed. There's often a feeling it's not entirely real, a gaudy show rather than working market, put on to entertain the gawping hordes of Italian visitors while they search Notting Hill for a glimpse of Hugh Grant.

But Portobello Market is the real thing, an old London fruit and vegetable market that runs every day save Sunday (and, for the majority, Thursday too). Despite the combined artillery attack of congestion charging, precipitous rents and an ever-deepening recession, it's in fine fettle. If you know where to look, it's the equal of any other market in the country.

Take Alan and Cheryl, just opposite the Duke of Wellington pub. I've been going there for years, and their produce is tip-top. Great bunches of fresh herbs for a quid, five different types of potato, fresh English peas and broad beans, forced rhubarb, peppery radishes, half a dozen kinds of salad leaf, all for prices easily comparable to the local supermarket, plus you get the pleasure of speaking to real experts.

A mile or so west is Shepherd's Bush Market (shepherdsbushmarket.co.uk), another ramshackle collection of stalls groaning with all manner of produce, both British and rather more exotic, a place to stock up on searing chillies, massive yams and green coconuts. Irish potatoes, Polish pickles and Caribbean breadfruit all live together in edible ethnic harmony.

Brixton Market (brixtonmarket.net) is rather bigger and more sprawling, centred around Electric Avenue, Pope's Road and Brixton Station Road. It's probably one of the best African and Caribbean fruit and vegetable markets in Europe and my favourite place to buy Scotch bonnet peppers by the kilo. Like Portobello and Shepherd's Bush, it's a proper local's market.

Unlike Borough Market, once so great but now slipping into tourist driven oblivion. Sure, Sillfield Farm is still there and Furness Fish. But once



'As for the Farmer's Markets, they are scattered across the capital like currants in a spotted dick'

the legendary Tony Booth moved on, a large part of Borough went too. He didn't move far, though, a few minutes down the road to a Druid Street railway arch (Tayshaw Ltd, 60 Druid Street, SE1, open every Friday and Saturday). He might not be a full sized market, but I'd travel miles for his produce and serious expertise.

Broadway Market started back sometime in the 1890s, but now you're more likely to bump into heavily tashed Hoxton types than chimney sweeps and urchins. It's open on Saturdays, and there are some fine fruit and vegetables dotted among the vintage furs. Don't miss Greenwich Market on a Wednesday either,

another place to stock up on all manner of seasonal goodies.

As for the Farmer's Markets, they are scattered across the capital like currants in a spotted dick. They are a good thing, something that benefits both town and country. Pimlico (open Saturday morning) and Marylebone (open Sunday morning) are unashamedly grand, but the quality is excellent. There are plenty more; just go to lfm.org.uk to find your nearest.

We might lack the cavernous greatness of Barcelona's Boqueria, or the bustling, sultry thrills of Bangkok's Chatuchak, but wherever you live, you're never far from some serious fruit and veg. }

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Food Hero

Chef of the moment Richard Corrigan reveals his culinary inspirations, and tells Tom Parker Bowles why you should never trust a skinny cook



'To be a chef you need a host of skills; mentor, enthusiast, social worker, visionary and leader as well as hard grafter'

Did you always want to become a chef? How did you start out?

I always loved the reality of good honest food and still do. As for starting out, I was working in starred restaurants, learning to understand the systems – it's a great grounding. You need a love of food but you also need to think like a businessman. To be a chef you need a host of skills; mentor, enthusiast, social worker, visionary and leader as well as hard grafter.

Were you a keen cook growing up? If so, who were your influences?

I was a very keen eater, still am. I don't believe in skinny chefs, greed can be good. Once on the path of cheffing, I devoured all the books I could get my hands on. I'd almost eat them in looking for inspiration. But inspiration can come from anywhere – art is a favourite hunting ground. As for favourite chefs? Stephen Bull pointed to a way that at the time was liberating. I could see ingredients from these islands on a plate, and it looked right. I liked the story that it told because part of it was me, and part something else, and that felt good.

Do you think we eat better now in Britain and Ireland than we did 30 years ago?

In some ways yes, in other ways no. I grew up eating fantastic foods; rabbit and wild salmon, spuds dug in the garden and my mother's handmade butter. You cannot get better than that. These days these foods are being rediscovered and life is a lot easier in many ways. My parents worked incredibly hard and people don't have to work like that any more. Better? It's a very emotive term.

What is your favourite style of cooking?

A pan, a knife and good ingredients. I appreciate how pushing boundaries has hugely increased knowledge and approach, but I'm quite traditional.

Name your three favourite dishes in the world. And what's your favourite cuisine?

Oysters – we open over 1,000 a day in Bentley's during the season. They're so versatile and there is endless varieties and ways to prepare them. The Chinese have a way with offal that is quite amazing – part texture, part layering of flavours that play to that whole umami thing. Trotters and liver are particularly good, plus I love working with mackerel as it is vastly underrated and can handle big flavours.

What are your three favourite ingredients for August and September?

Grouse comes top of the list, then blackberries

and peaches. We do a dish of grilled grouse with peaches and blackberries which is a real celebration of summer.

Who are your food heroes?

Parents who daily cook fresh food for their families as it can be tough, particularly when money is tight. Real food in that environment is what gives you a palette and understanding of the power of the table. I really believe that.

What is your philosophy of food?

Enjoy it. Life is short. }

The Market Menu at Corrigan's Mayfair focuses on seasonal produce with summer dishes like smoked mackerel ceviche, roast herb chicken and half a lobster. Available at lunchtime it offers two courses at £21 and three courses at £27 to include a carafe of wine. Email reservations@corriganmayfair.com or call 020 7499 994





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Dining out with... Thomasina Miers

World cuisine is on the menu when Tom Parker Bowles enjoys an alfresco lunch with Thomasina Miers at Dock Kitchen

A few years back, Mexican food in Britain was nothing more than cheese-drenched indigestion, a grease-soaked ballast for a big night out. Little matter that this belly-busting melange of microwaved nachos, turgid burritos and sizzling God-knows-what were actually Tex-Mex. And about as far removed from Mexico as the Pizza Hut Hawaiian is from the Neapolitan real deal. No, Mexican food was cheap, cloying and resolutely un-cheerful.

Then came Thomasina Miers, cook, food writer and winner of Masterchef, with *Wahaca*. And suddenly, the nation's palate was introduced to the true glories of proper Mexican food. Fresh, vibrant and infinitely varied, this is a cuisine that moves from the zingy elegance of a lime-soaked ceviche to the slow cooked, porky glories of cochinita pibil. "What I love about cooking and eating in Mexico," says Tommi, between bites of exquisite Chinese pork buns, "is that I'm always thinking about what I'm going to eat next. The Mexicans are food obsessed, and there are hundreds of different

opportunities to snack and feast."

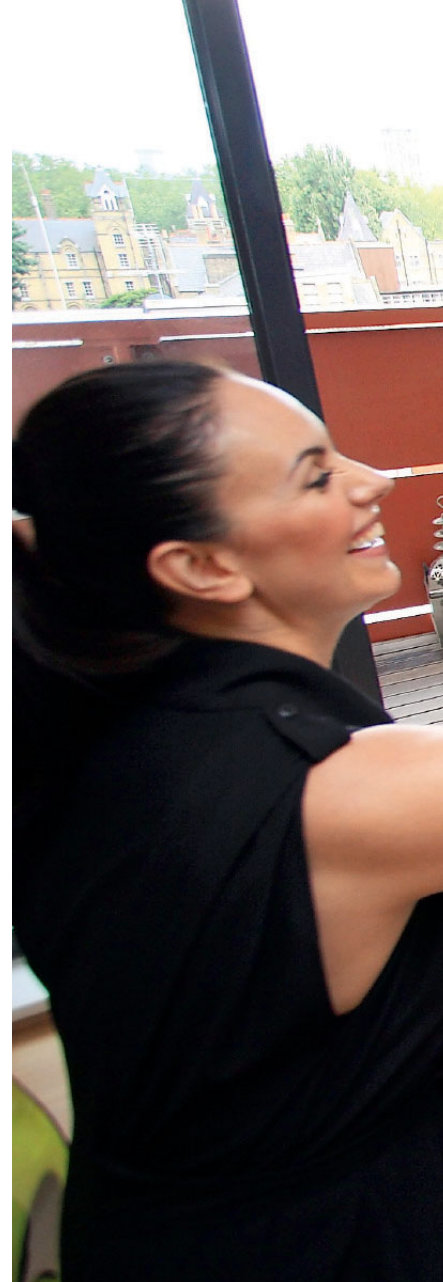
We're sitting outside at the Dock Kitchen, off Ladbroke Grove, on one of those rare summer days where the sun actually deigns to come out. This is one of her favourite restaurants (mine too) and chef Stevie Parle is an old friend. "He was my flat mate for three years. We met at Ballymaloe Cooking school, and I ate the most amazing food for all that time. We both cooked a lot." The menu here wanders all over the world, from Lebanese fattoush salads to Spanish style clams, via Bengali fish curries and Vietnamese brawn. Wide ranging, but every mouthful thrills.

Those pork buns are now long gone, and as we pick at great succulent flakes of hake, sweet and fragrant with spice, Tommi talks about her new book, *Wahaca*, stuffed full with some of her restaurants' most beloved dishes. "It's structured around a day's eating in Mexico. So eggs and hot chocolate for breakfast, then a few snacks, tacos and tostadas, before a serious long lunch and a

proper dinner. Every time I go back to Mexico, I learn something new. It never ceases to amaze."

As to cooking at home for her husband and young daughter, "I cook from all over the world," she smiles. "Once the ideas dry up, get travelling. I was told that by the late, great Rose Grey and it's totally true. I get my inspiration from everywhere." Even after a few minutes, it's impossible not to be moved by her passion, knowledge and genuine enthusiasm. As she talks about journeys across the world, her eyes close in rapt remembrance of great dishes long past. Tommi is the real deal, no doubt about that – she opened our eyes, and bellies, to the brilliance of real Mexican food. And in doing so, saved countless taste buds from the bland indignity of endless ersatz slop. Viva Mexico. And Viva Tommi Miers too. }

Wahaca: Mexican Food At Home
by Thomasina Miers, published by
Hodder & Stoughton £20



Taste of ITALY

Tom Parker Bowles leaves his favourite Carluccio recipe in the capable hands of Notting Hill local Susie Rogers



Antonio Carluccio is one of the country's best loved and respected Italian cooks. Born in Salerno, Italy, he's been the star of many hugely popular television shows, as well as the author of many more acclaimed books. He is also the founder of the Carluccio's group of shops and restaurants.

This popular vegetable dish is served as a main course in Southern Italy, as well as an antipasto or snack. Any vegetable that makes a suitable container can be stuffed with a variety of fillings. My mother always used to bake more stuffed vegetables than she needed and they made an excellent midnight feast when my brothers and I returned home and raided the fridge!

Susie Roger's, founder of luxury spa BeautyWorksWest, tackled Carluccio's stuffed pepper recipe in just half an hour

"I thought this recipe was really quite easy, and we didn't need to serve it with anything else because it was really a meal in itself. The only thing that I would suggest would be buying readymade breadcrumbs, as the fresh ones take ages to prepare.

If it hadn't been for them, the whole thing probably would have taken about 15 minutes. And I suppose we could have used some bigger aubergines! I enjoyed the flavour of the peppers the most – but the combination of the different cheeses was really good. I'd put in some extra parmesan, but then again I'm a total parmesan addict. I'll definitely make it again for a dinner party – maybe even this weekend. Next time, I'll follow it up with a fabulous Italian Gelato – and I know the selection at Caluccio's is supposedly great!"
beautyworkswest.com

**Peperoni, Melanzane E Zucchini Ripieni
(Stuffed Peppers, Aubergines and Courgettes)**

Serves 4

1 yellow pepper
1 red pepper
2 small aubergines
2 courgettes
200g (7oz) stale bread, crust removed
1 egg, beaten
3 tablespoons finely chopped fresh parsley
150g (5oz) parma ham, cut into small cubes
1 garlic clove, finely chopped
150g (5oz) caciocavallo cheese (cubed)



Left to right: Valerija Bozicevic, Jeanie Bergin, Susie Rogers and James Bolton

150g (5oz) pecorino cheese, cut into small cubes
 2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese
 Olive oil for drizzling
 Salt and freshly ground pepper

Method

1. Preheat the oven to 200°C, 400°F, Gas Mark 6.
2. Cut the peppers in half down the centre, including the stalk. Clean out the seeds and cut out the membranes with a sharp knife. Cut the aubergines and the courgettes in half lengthways and scoop out the flesh (a melon baller is good for this), leaving a boat-shaped vegetable.
3. Soften the bread briefly in a little water and then squeeze it dry and make it into fine crumbs.
4. Mix thoroughly with the egg, parsley, ham, garlic, cheese and some salt and pepper. Fill the cavities of the vegetables with the mixture, packing it in loosely rather than pressing it down.
5. Place the stuffed vegetables on an oiled baking tray, drizzle each generously with olive oil and bake for 35 minutes, until the vegetables are tender and filling is browned. Serve hot, warm or cold.

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The Ritz chef reveals why he is always game for grouse

As I sit at my desk overlooking The Ritz's vast kitchen, with an abundance of fresh ingredients beckoning me from its countertops, unbearable hunger is fuelling writer's block. I relish the thought of our imminent tasting session to trial the restaurant's new menu and as I do I can hardly believe that a whole year has passed since 2011's Glorious Twelfth and my last dalliance with the most hedonistic of our feathered friends, the majestic grouse.

All around the country on this day each year, residents of Britain's rolling countryside prepare for the grouse shooting season whilst inhabitants of its concrete jungles turn their heads to the grouse eating season. The Glorious Twelfth as it is so reverently referred to, signifies the start of the season and an end to the arduous wait for the return of Game to the country's menus.

From this moment forth, Game season is in full swing and I, in response, am now deep in the realm of my culinary element. The menus at The Ritz Restaurant become a worshipful homage to the distinctly rich and intense flavours of the season and it is with lip-smacking devotion to this time of year that my team of 55 Chefs and I meet to discuss how best to unite these flavours with the summer's finest seasonal vegetables. The process has taken place more times than I can remember but the dishes are something I never forget – Mosaic of Grouse with Compressed Apple, Dates and Walnuts and Roast Grouse with Celeriac Puree, Glazed Chestnuts and Walnut Jus to name but two.

My very first job was as an apprentice in a kitchen and it was my role to pluck and prepare the grouse. Though unquestionably not a job for the faint-hearted, it awakened in me some new gastronomic appetite and still to this day when the Glorious Twelfth arrives each year I remain the first to stand at the hotel's entrance in the early hours, rife with anticipation to greet the first delivery. Come hell or high water, I want to be the first to revel in the smoky heather aroma of the birds; to me, this is real excitement.

When buying grouse to prepare at home, head to a stalwart of British tradition like Fortnum & Mason for the perfect bird. They will recommend a bird to suit your personal tastes, knowing that early birds can be eaten immediately or be hung to intensify and mature the flavour. They will also be able to source a young bird. Why does this matter? This

question was best answered by a game keeper I once encountered who imparted the following wisdom on me, "If you place a house brick in an oven for four hours it would taste better than a very old grouse!"

However, when considering cooking grouse at home my final word on the subject is thus: though I frequently extol the virtues of experimenting with ingredients at home, the magic of the ritual surrounding grouse is such that it is best enjoyed alongside the theatre with which it was intended, carved and presented tableside within one of London's game 'hubs' such as, dare I shamelessly say it, The Ritz. }





Restaurant reviews

Sophie's Steakhouse
311-313 Fulham Road
SW10 9QH, 020 7352 0088
Food: ***

Atmosphere: ****

Even for neophiles like us, it is always good to revisit an old friend, especially the sort that are just as sparkly and easy-going as ever, no matter how long it has been.

This year, the original Sophie's Steakhouse on Fulham Road celebrates its 10th birthday, making it mature in restaurant terms, but it's proof that a simple formula, well executed, doesn't go out of fashion. Waiting times are as long as ever – no

reservations are taken – but sitting at the cocktail bar with one of the legendary giant martinis is something of a rite of passage for the smart international crowd of 20 and 30 something regulars.

There is substance behind all the style. The staff are as efficient and gracious as they are easy on the eye, and the dining room itself, with its stripped brick, wooden furniture and red leather banquettes, moves seamlessly from Sunday brunch to date-night dinners with just a dimming of the lights and a bottle of the (very passable) house red on the table.

Regulars rave about the steaks,

served with suitable ceremony on raised wooden boards – don't forget the signature steak sauce – but the no-nonsense burgers are also testament to the quality of the Black Angus beef. Crowd-pleasers like the club sandwich are given a luxury overhaul, packed with nuggets of lobster, bacon and avocado, while the puddings stick firmly to the steakhouse theme: frothy banana cream pie and a densely packed chocolate brownie with ice cream, for example. Sure, it's not the most accomplished food in Fulham, but a decade on, Sophie's has still got it.

by Anna Longmore



Brooklyn Bite
342 King's Road, SW3 5UR
020 7352 5057

Food: ***

Atmosphere: ***

Don't be swayed by the restrained black façade of this King's Road newcomer. Once inside, there's an unmistakable New York-Italian swagger about the operation, from the neon 'you talkin' to me?' scrawl on the basement wall to a line-up of pizza that runs from the Fugazi to the Fugetaboutit. The latter might be referring to your diet – pizzas will surely have calorie-conscious locals quaking in their Louboutins. However, on a wet Thursday evening, the crowd includes groups of glossy-maned ladies and well-heeled couples. Come Saturday, waits can stretch up to two hours for a table.

It's a brave man who tries to convert a city fixated on stone-baked, buffalo-topped Neapolitan pizza, but restaurateur Ilias Nathaniel is convinced that London has an appetite for his New York-style pies. The dining room – formerly home to swish deli Napket – is a persuasive start; exposed pipework and bare bulbs lend a funky post-industrial edge to the glossy black and red palette, while walls lined with wine bottles hint at ambitions beyond those of your average pizza joint.

Downstairs is a brick-walled bar with a big screen and a ballsy line-up of cocktails. Upstairs, molten mozzarella sticks and doughy garlic bread provide the warm-up, but the headline act is the pizza – thin based, hand-thrown with a nicely puffed crust with an unapologetic quantity of tomato sauce. It's big, it's brash and it is – thanks to its arrival on a raised wire tray – totally in your face. After a couple of slices, you won't be wanting to clap eyes on the dessert menu (though it does include a chocolate calzone). Wash it down with a bottle of Brooklyn Lager, and waddle out feeling like Danny Devito.
by Anna Longmore



Brasserie Zedel
20 Sherwood Street, W1F 7ED
020 7734 4888

Food: ***

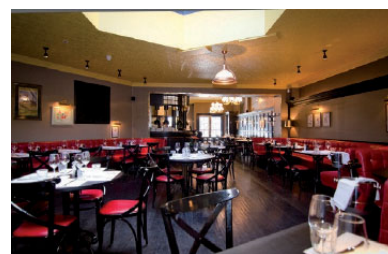
Atmosphere: ****

Tucked off Piccadilly Circus in the newly swanked-up quarter that used to be the grotty end of Soho, Brasserie Zedel aims to deliver big-ticket brasserie dining at everyman prices. The pedigree is certainly spotless – Chris Corbin and Jeremy King's back catalogue includes The Wolseley and The Delaunay, so if anyone can make this beast of a dining room (formerly The Atlantic) work, it's them. An elegantly presented gin martini served in the five-star cruise-liner setting of the American Bar set the tone, though we hadn't counted on having to settle up the drinks tab before moving through to dinner – the first indication that this place might not have the finesse of its older siblings.

The cavernous main dining room has all the buzz of a Corbin and King blockbuster without quite the same sex appeal. At first sight, the space looks magnificent – polished brass fittings and deco angles meet marble, gold leaf and Beaux Artes flamboyance – but the insipid pink of the floral tablecloths and the retro salt and pepper shakers are more Alpine guesthouse than grand Parisian brasserie. Service is clearly still bedding in – errors were rectified swiftly and with grace – not helped by a menu that is predominantly in French. Shamefully, us Rosbifs had to request zee Eenglish version in hushed tones.

Still, there's much to love about Zedel. The patchwork of small starter plates were well judged – a perky frisee salad studded with lardons, dill-infused salmon, a flavoursome pate de campagne – while straight-talking mains like tenderloin fillet in pepper sauce ticked the requisite boxes.

This is a proper brasserie for the masses. Just make sure you've boned up on your French vocab beforehand.
by Anna Longmore



Markham Inn
2 Elystan Street, SW3 3NS
020 7581 9139

Food: ***

Atmosphere: *****

Restaurants are not just about food. Sure enough, you wouldn't go to one if you didn't plan to eat, but it's not always the cooking that sets a place apart. Take the Markham Inn: we had a pretty average meal in there recently – the food was good, but not particularly memorable – so why is it we can't wait to go back? It was one of those great culinary enigmas. We fell head over heels in love with everything else about it.

The decor, for a start, is great. Inspired by the Chelsea Green site's past life as a pub where explorers would meet to share traveller's tales (The Markham Inn was named after a Sir Clements Robert of the same name, who was secretary of The Royal Geographic Society), the dining room is scattered from top to toe with books and pictures charting the trips of 19th century adventurers. It also blends dark wood with red banquettes and low lights to atmospheric effect. Service is nothing short of brilliant – our waiter told us he used to head up front-of-house at The Wolseley – and there's a great buzz about the room, particularly on Tuesday nights, when there's live music in the bar.

On the plate, we enjoyed Wye Valley asparagus with poached egg, hollandaise and the signature Scotch beef burger, served perfectly pink, topped with thick-cut cheese and sweet-cured bacon, in a great bun with chips and coleslaw on the side. Our halibut main was a touch overcooked, but this can be forgiven.

Pineapple carpaccio with coconut sorbet made for a refreshing pud, but the real stars of the show were the espresso martinis we ordered afterwards – at a surprisingly reasonable £8 – were the perfect excuse to stay in that lovely room for a little longer. It's that kind of place.

by Annica Wainwright



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TABLE TALK

Annica Wainwright's sumptuous guide to west London indulgence



A new friend for fizz

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Pocket rockets

Shannon Denny discovers small bags in hot hues to pack a punch this month

1. Hands-free kit
Working two big trends – coral and ostrich – in one tidy clutch, Miso comes at a nice price too, £12, republic.co.uk

2. Snake charmer
The Bijoux clutch by Analeena incorporates eye-popping python punctuated with an amber stone, £2,296, analeena.com

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The Lilobag patent bag features metal edge detailing and a cross-body chain option, £45.95, modainpelle.com

5. Lemon fresh
The Daniel pouch purse is tricked out with turquoise satin lining, a gold lamé zip and inner patch pocket, £60, mimiberry.co.uk

6. Trunk show
Never forget your elephant... Here's one perched on Wilbur & Gussie's Coco clutch, £225, wilburandgussie.com

7. Pretty neat
In a punchy shade, this Radley sack is just the right size for a secret stash of essentials, £59, radley.co.uk

8. What's up croc
Analeena's micro mini clutch in soft crocodile includes a palladium metal buckle and chain, £2,604, harrods.com

9. Leader of the pack
Nat & Nin's Beth bag borrows from the satchel storm that's been blowing through fashion, but reinvents it as a mini, £82, nat-nin.fr



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Scandinavian love

Why we can't get enough of Northern European style

Scandinavian fashion is definitely having a moment. It started with lusting after Sarah Lund knitwear in cult Danish TV series *The Killing* back in 2007, and now we can't get enough of Northern European paired-down style. If you think it is all about pickled fish and loganberries, think again. Modern and forward (but still looking very healthy), it captures the current mood of international fashion – simple and clean.

Milky complexions that can carry off white cashmere, paired with the bluest of eyes, have had many a billionaire hooked, but it is their clean cut aesthetic that wins every time. Who wouldn't want to look like one? Shary at Richard Ward Hair recommends strong clear ash highlights to give you the perfect Skandi look – 'to bring out the ice in those blue eyes', as she said to me. Transform yourself into a Swedish Blonde, and summers by the fjords await. Even if you don't possess the looks, you can still strut the style (do they strut? Maybe they glide...), London has lots of stop-offs on your Skandi transformation.

Unadulterated Skandi style is courtesy of Wild Swans (all pictures show their S/S12 range), with boutiques in Islington and Chiswick. They present cool Northern European design cleverly edited in the way you would expect – simple, with no unnecessary embellishment. Danish owner Caroline van Luthje picks her favourite Scandinavian fashion, with some labels you will recognise – Malene Birger and Day Birger et Mikkelsen being international successes – but most will be new to the uninitiated. Wild Swans sell modern takes on Skandi staples – try layering summery Aiaayu knitted Tees (the Danish label works in sustainable llama wool or cotton) with Sabin Linnebjerg chunkier knits – both of whom won't break the bank with most of the garments at under £200.

The insouciance that has gone hand in hand with the notion of 'cool' since the 60s can be found across the region, from Sweden to Norway and back again. Reserved emotion, passion bubbling underneath, and a disarming pokerface of serene detachment are what you need to be truly Skandi cool. Skinny jeans, the default armour of any self-respecting hipster, has one true Scandinavian superstar – Cheap Monday. The spray-on (near legging) hipster uniform is as popular in London as it is in LA. Combine this with fashionista's favourite ACNE, and you will make even Chloe Sevigny

wish she knew you. ACNE's store on Dover Street is another fashion haven – the serenity of Skandi-cool being unavoidable. Try their popular simple knitwear, and wedge boots. Mix up with another Swedish fashion juggernaut, J.Lindenberg, and the whole of the East End is yours for the taking.

Of the young designers on the block, Ostwald Helgason is the brainchild of Suzanne Ostwald and Ingvar Helgason, an Icelandic designer based in Kennington, trained in Copenhagen. Together they have been making waves with beautifully proportioned graphic digi-print separates. The graphic-art on which their resort is based has a very cool Scandinavian aesthetic, and includes deconstructed maps and prints reminiscent of our own 1960s design guru David Hicks.

To kick off tennis season, the WTA threw a bash at Kensington Roof Gardens with Sir Richard Branson.

Then it was on to the opening of the Lacoste flagship store on Brompton Road where Mrs Mark Ronson, Josephine La Baume, had everyone tapping with her band Singtank, deliciously rock-chic in navy wide-leg trousers. After inappropriately posing in the photo-booth with Jack Fox, I tried to catch the attention of new Londoner, WILL.I.AM. Nearly game, set and match, but he couldn't see me through his sunglasses. }





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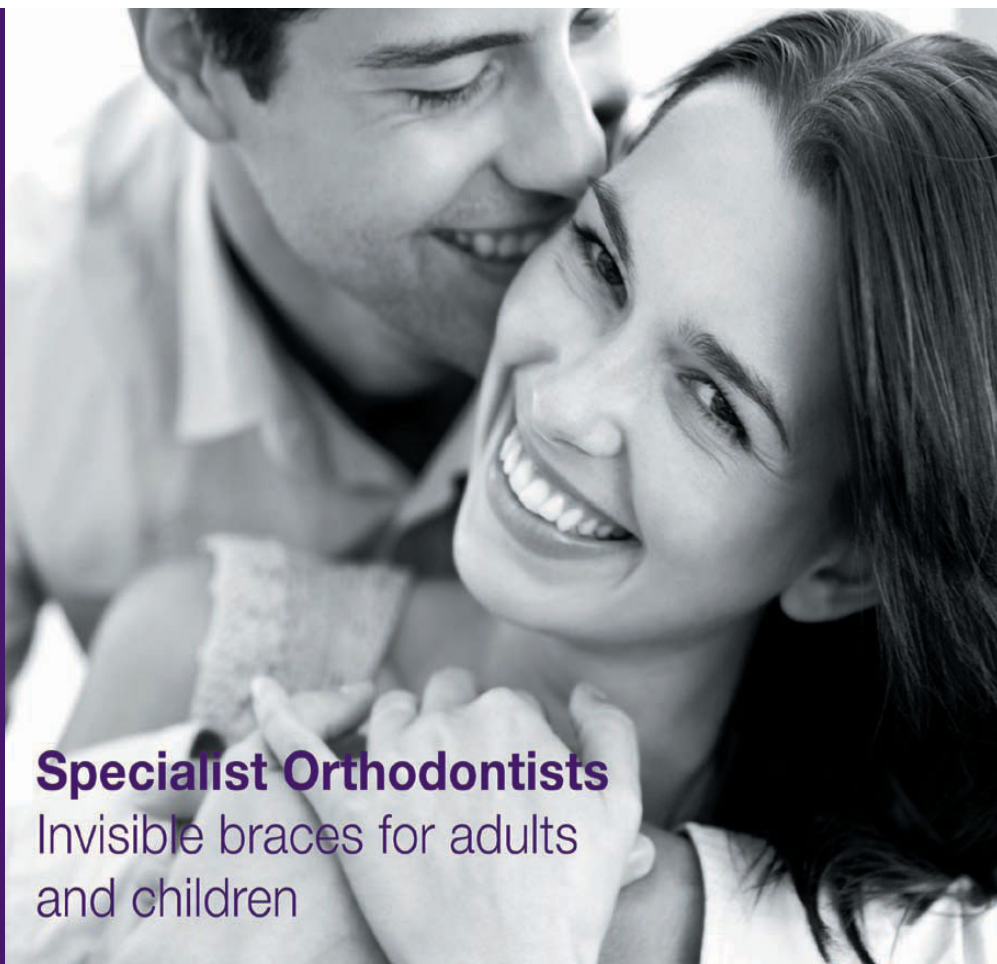
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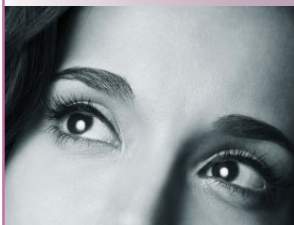


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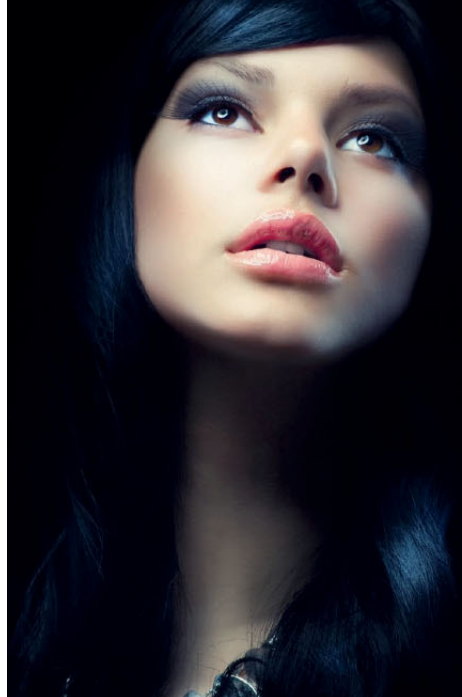
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Ebony & Ivory

Catherine McCabe explores her dark side with the latest black and white beauty trends

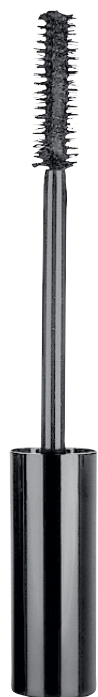


London eyes

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Go monochrome

This season is all about the old fashioned drama of the two-tone eye make-up. Most of us still shudder at the memory of gothic 90s eyes, but when it's done right, the smouldering effect can bring a look to life. Use striking sweeps of black, softened with a white and silver colour palette. Vary your look with Estee Lauder's Five Colour Eyeshadow Palette, £35, and top it all off with Stila All Day Mascara, available for £15, harveynichols.com



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Invisible polish

Go minimalist on your nails with transparent nail polishes. With deep purples, tribal and optic patterns all on trend this season, the simplicity of a naked nail is a welcome relief. So when you're wearing a very loud pair heels, let your gleaming feet speak for themselves. Try Mac's Over Lacquer Finition (£9) or Dior's Vernis Top Coat (£14.50). maccosmetics.co.uk and dior.com



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Rainy day diets

Beauty expert Louise Parker urges us to steer clear of grey-day indulgences

As the British summer continues in full swing it seems the risk of sinking is far greater than any chance of a suntan. A friends' summer picnic was another victim of the weather as shower after shower threatened to ruin what is always one of the best parties of the year. En masse we camped out under a tiny gazebo, squeezing past each other to top up our glasses, waiting for a break in the clouds.

As we huddled together, far from drowning our sorrows we realised what a great time we were having despite the rain, totally forgetting the early temptation to cancel the event. A few miserable party poopers left early but the majority that stayed had one of the best parties I have ever been. The lunchtime BBQ, became early supper, high heels were replaced by Haviannas and \$40 blowdrys became casual pony-tails.

Whilst the party was off to a sodden start, we made the most of it ended up having a terrific day. It's a mentality that's worth trying to recreate in everything we do health and fitness related. Just because a day starts with a pain au chocolat, doesn't mean you need to sabotage it with crisps for lunch and half a bottle of Pinot for supper. Having spent the last two decades studying what makes some people thin, I know this for sure; Trim people start the day over at any point. Their rounder cousins don't – they always start their diets on Monday. A lesson for us all – don't diet but practice balance. You really can start your day at any point – it's amazingly liberating when you turn a day round. Start this today and don't let a passing shower turn into a dietary washout. }



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There's nothing like a hot summer's day to show off a beautiful, toned body but if you're not ready to bare just yet, award winning clinic EF MEDISPA has a top-to-toe menu of tailor-made treatments that will give you the body you always wanted.

Where other clinics merely address beauty from an external perspective, EF MEDISPA's advanced aestheticians will take a 360-degree approach to getting the best results possible by addressing your individual concerns from the inside out.

Whether you're on a pre-holiday pretox or back-from-abroad detox, EF MEDISPA's resident nutritionist, Kim Pearson has created 12-day and month-long plans to help you eat your way to having better skin, more energy and dropping those pounds – without the deprivation. Combine this with colonic hydrotherapy to beat bloating, tackle toxins from the inside and help you on your way to a washboard stomach.

When a little outside help is required, EF MEDISPA's high-tech Vaser Lipo treatments have the miracle-working action of made-to-measure lingerie. Tailored to suit your body shape, they precisely lift and sculpt your silhouette in a minimally invasive way to contour the kind of curves you'll be dying to show off. If you'd like help with building up your bust book in for one of their 21st century breast enhancement options. From subtle lifts to natural-looking augmentations that will bump up your confidence and your bust, EF MEDISPA's team of experts will give you the breasts you've always longed for – minus the stress or an overnight

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Achieving a perkier behind will also prove easy with their extensive range of cellulite and stretch mark solutions. Whether it be non-invasive radio frequency, ultrasound or LED light therapy, EF MEDISPA will diagnose the cause of your trouble spots and rectify it with the best results-driven treatment plan for you. Leaving you to check in for some Permanent Laser Hair Reduction that will leave you fuzz free for the rest of the summer – and well into the next.

Once you've got your dream beach body sorted, then turn your attention to creating a more youthful looking you. EF MEDISPA offers a range of the latest injectibles to sharpen up your jawline and cheekbones and smooth the way for a more radiant, crease-free forehead – all administered in a subtle way that will leave everyone guessing as to how you achieved it.

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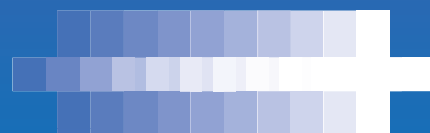
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The unique programme combines six hours a week of her exercise method, alongside a rigorous dietary overhaul, for a six-week period. "Each week we train you in four 90-minute sessions in the comfort of your own home – bringing the gym to you and saving precious time," says Louise. "Some clients choose to do three 90-minute sessions over an eight-week period and the results are still exceptional."

The Intensive employs exercise and diet methods that radically shift fat and totally re-sculpt the body, without compromising metabolism. "It's so important to teach our clients how to boost their metabolism so that once they have lost the weight they can easily keep it off," she notes. "So many diets will get the weight off but your metabolism will come to a grinding halt or they are just not sustainable." The programme's emphasis on resistance work and an intelligent eating plan ensure the results that clients achieve are long lasting and, most of all, easy to maintain. "No aspect of what we do is extreme," she explains. "Every element of the plan is sensible, researched and proven to work," she says.

"My team are world class and without doubt some of the best in the country. Most come from a Sports Science background and we have two Olympic athletes amongst us. We all share a friendly, no-nonsense approach and between us we offer an unrivalled service to our clients. I'm proud to have such a talented team behind me." Louise Parker believes anyone can have a fantastic body – regardless of age, body type and starting point: "By following my method, you really will be blown away by how you can change your body shape."

Her programme is suitable for anyone wanting exceptional results, in record time. The Intensive is hugely popular with clients needing to be what she calls 'red-carpet ready' – whether that's for a wedding, new job-role or even the school run. "I love helping post-natal mums," she explains. "Since I had my

The Intensive programme employs exercise and diet methods that radically shift body fat and totally re-sculpt the body, without compromising metabolism

daughters in quick succession, I fully understand the challenges new mothers are faced with, and what has to be done to return you to your former glory."

Louise Parker designs each programme with one of her team before the programme commences, based on the individual's requirements and deadlines. A rigid, yet balanced food plan is devised, ensuring optimal results. Louise personally monitors your diet diary on a daily basis to ensure you are on the right track and that you get all the support and motivation you need to succeed. In six weeks, you will emerge looking better than you thought you ever could. What Louise Parker does isn't gimmicky, it is instead an intelligent combination of three factors – nutrition, training and lifestyle – delivered in just the right combination. "Providing you have made the decision to change and are willing to let us guide you," she asserts, "You simply cannot fail – clients routinely drop two dress sizes." There are many bespoke programmes available, and following a telephone consultation, Louise will advise a suitable programme and schedule to suit any objective, ifestyle and budget. Louise asks that new clients commit to a minimum of three hours per week to ensure that they achieve amazing results. Louise's team provide her programmes across London, Berkshire, Surrey, Kent and Hertfordshire with remote options for international clients. }

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The skincare secret

King's Road beautician Katherine Jackson is revered in the world of facials, and Catherine McCabe wants to know why; she just has to find her first...

Slime and snails and puppy dogs tails; that's what home remedies are made of...or so I used to believe. Stepping in to the hush-hush layer of Katherine Jackson's humble studio just off the King's Road, I find a room filled floor to ceiling with little glass brown bottles of lotions and potions. As well as tailoring her treatments to suit every client, this skin-care specialist makes her products by hand, "to make sure they are free of 'little nasties'," she asserts. Well heeled locals will need no introduction to Ms Jackson, a seasoned beautician with almost 40 years in the business. She has scrubbed, peeled and rubbed some of London's most famous faces, but like her salon, she's always discreet.

Armed with a Google map, I felt like I was trying to unearth Dr No's bunker. Don't be fooled by the industrial-looking location, however; Jackson doesn't need the frills, she just lets her experience speak for itself. Before I even pop myself on the treatment chair, she has my skin summed up: combination, sun-damaged and prone to redness (I am Irish, after all). I thought she would berate me for never moisturising – the usual lecture when I visit a salon, but that's not Jackson's style. Her approach is a curious mix of scientific and holistic methods; mixing equipment that could easily be found on the set of the Matrix with touch therapies such as Ayurveda healing and Shiatsu.

First, she tackled my sebum-heavy skin with a fresh bamboo scrub, followed by an all natural cooling mask. As I drifted in and out of consciousness, Jackson searched for areas of tension around my neck and shoulders, gently teasing them out. However, once she clocked my oversized pores – relaxation time was over – and so she brought out the heavy machinery for the Sonic Deep Cleanse facial. The slightly daunting apparatus behaves "like an ultra-sound," using sonar waves to tease out the small particles of dirt, make-up and



Katherine Jackson (pictured) is King's Road's leading skincare specialist

general awfulness that lead to blackheads. The shrill noise from this fantastical machine was an unpleasant soundtrack to a relaxing spa-day, but it's certainly a step up from the old-school 'spot-squeezing' technique, and it's a damn-sight less painful, too.

Throughout the treatment, I couldn't help but fall for Jackson's chatty charm, though it helps that the beautician has lead such an intriguing life. There wasn't even a mention of the weather – instead, she shared stories about the time spent running pop-up beauty spas in India, and her TV appearance on *Extreme Make Over*. At the end of our session, I felt that irresistible urge one gets when leaving a hairdresser's; I wanted to see and feel the results for myself. Remarkably, my normally pot-marked skin had a distinct matt look, and the puce red cheeks replaced by soft, pale glow. As we said our goodbyes, Jackson was busy mixing rose water into yet another one of her special recipe products. "Remember," she said, "don't moisturise when you get home, those other beauticians, they just tell you to do it so you'll buy their new range!" she laughed as she sent me out in to the world – fresh faced and happy. }

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Get dancing this summer... and *'Swing into Action'*

Meet Linda Southgate, 60, from Norwich, who enjoys dance as a way of keeping healthy and staying fit

I love any type of dance as long as it is energetic. I mainly go to ladies dance classes focusing on disco and theatre. Theatre is a type of dance performed for an audience, sometimes in a theatre setting (hence the name) which is choreographed and set to music.

Dancing is so sociable, and we spend a lot of time laughing. I count everyone at the class as a friend as they are so welcoming and I find it a great way to de-stress and unwind. I try and do around 150 minutes of exercise a week, and have danced on and off since I was a child, so I find it

an enjoyable way to exercise.

I generally eat a healthy diet, with lots of stir-fries and fish, and I use three portions Flora pro.activ spread on toast and in sandwiches every day. With all the dancing my cholesterol is at a fairly healthy level.

What I love about dance is it is great for anyone who wants to get some exercise, regardless of age, shape or size. You don't need to be particularly athletic, but I have definitely seen the benefits to my fitness levels. I would definitely recommend dance as a great way to stay fit and healthy, and am looking forward to introducing the Flora pro.activ Swing Into Action jive-inspired routine to my class – I think they will really enjoy it!

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This month...
Victoria Purcell
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Home on

For fresh holiday ideas take a look at Idaho, one of the USA's most unspoiled territories. Victoria Purcell laces up her walking boots and heads for an adventure in the great outdoors

'Howdy y'all!' is the huge, bear-huggingly warm welcome you tend to encounter in Swan Valley, south east Idaho. A Rocky Mountain state touching the Canadian border to the north, and Wyoming, Utah and Nevada to the south, Idaho is the seventh least populated of the USA's 50 states. And it's beautiful. The landscape is rugged with snow-capped mountains, vast lakes, steep canyons and rapids – some of the largest unspoiled natural areas in the US. So if you're seeking an escape from the hubbub of the city but the beach just doesn't do it for you, then lace up your walking boots and go wild in Idaho.

I headed out there in May to stay at South Fork Lodge, which relaunched as part of the British-owned, Yorkshire-founded Natural Retreats group in May last year. Born of a vision to create luxury self-catering accommodation in areas of outstanding beauty, the company now has 11 sites across the world (with five in the UK and a sixth due to open in John O'Groats this year, if you prefer to stay a little closer to home). It's the great outdoors sans the tent, tinned food and tricky midnight loo escapades. But rest assured sustainability is the name of the game, with Natural Retreats receiving numerous accolades including Travel Bulletin's Green Initiatives award.

So what is a gal to do in the wilderness? Well first things first, following the transatlantic flight to Idaho Falls via San Francisco (we flew back via Denver, so you have options here), a soak in the deluxe suite's jacuzzi bath. The suites in South Fork Lodge's two log cabins are really something – spacious and homely with kitchen facilities, a huge, contemporary bathroom, huge closets, log fire, terrace and plenty of space. There's also the option of interconnecting rooms if travelling with family or larger groups. The cabins are a short stroll from the main lodge, where you can enjoy a good breakfast on the patio as the crystal clear Snake River flows by. Or, on chillier days, dine inside at the architecturally impressive Riverside Bar and Grill with floor-to-ceiling windows to showcase the magnificent views of the river and mountains.

And then Idaho is your oyster. The resort's big selling point is fishing, since this particular stretch of Snake River is famed for it. In fact, South Fork Lodge plays quite a role in the history of the sport here: originally built in the 1930s, the lodge was run by a local legend named Buell Warner, whose passion for fishing, hunting and the outdoors helped mould the area into what it is today. The lodge has changed hands only a couple of times since then, taking on its



the range

most current guise under the keen eye of New York businessman and conservationist Mark Rockefeller, who had grown up vacationing in Yellowstone Park, not far from Swan Valley.

Everything you need to fish (or to hit the outdoors in any way you fancy) can be hired or bought from the onsite outfitters. Don your waders and paddle on in or hire a guide to take you down the river in a drift boat on a tailored expedition. We did the latter, setting off on a sunny morning as a merry party of six in three different boats. Our guide, Brett Novik, has been guiding the South Fork since 1996, and certainly knows his trout. (When we asked him what he does on his days off, he replied 'go fishing'.)

Burdened with two total beginners in his brand new drift boat, he manoeuvred us to the best spots and patiently coached us towards landing just short of 20 brown, rainbow and cutthroat trout during a full day's fish. I'd figured my chances of catching a fish were slim to none, but not only did I net 11 – and take back a 16½-inch rainbow trout to the lodge for dinner, greeted with great enthusiasm by the lodge's executive chef Samuel Stringer – the whole day was fantastic fun. There were times we just kicked back and took in the jaw-dropping scenery as Brett paddled us down river in search

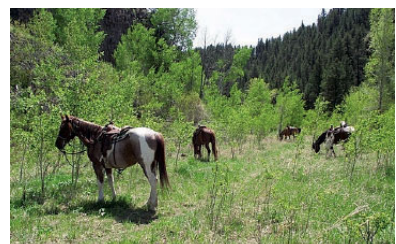
of another hot trout hangout, or whipped out the binoculars to take in the magnificent site of a bald eagle or osprey. Come midday we jumped ashore for a midday barbecue cooked up by our three enthusiastic guides, and come the end of the day, it's time to head to the bar to sample the local ales and swap stories of success and near misses ('it was *this* big!'). I must point out that we threw back all of our fish (the cutthroat is a protected species) bar the one we ate, of course.

We also spent an afternoon on horseback with local guides from Swan Valley Outfitters, who also organise hunting expeditions for those who really want to sample the Wild West! But we had much tamer objectives, trotting through some spectacular scenery alongside Snake River before stopping for a barbecue at a secluded riverside spot. Hiking is another popular pursuit, and you're spoilt for choice with glorious trails. Head out to Grand Teton National Park, just over the border in Wyoming, where you can take a steady hike up to the Lake Phelps overlook point at 7,200ft elevation, or head further north to Jenny Lake, a major focal of the National Park with trails, scenic boat rides and access to the Teton Range's major climbing routes. A 4x4 comes in handy here, so you might want to »



The knowledge

A deluxe suite at South Fork Lodge is \$585 per room per night with breakfast from June to October. A full day guided fishing expedition on the South Fork of Snake River is \$525, which includes boat, private guide, lunch and permit, with a \$100 supplement per person for additional rental equipment. See naturalretreats.co.uk; additional activities can be arranged via the lodge's concierge service, which can also arrange your flights at the best rates.



hire one, and driving about the flats between these two lakes there's plenty of opportunity to spot bison, elk and antelope. Do be aware that there are bears and mountain lions in the mountains too, but local guides can advise you how to avoid – or indeed track down – the magnificent animals. Yellowstone National Park is just a day-trip away, home to some 500 geysers, including Old Faithful. Other activities include zip lining, white water rafting and water-sports on the 16,000 acre Palisades Reservoir.

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Burdened with two total beginners, our guide manoeuvred us to the best spots and patiently coached us towards landing just short of 20 fish

of blueberry pancakes with maple syrup, a side of bacon and bottomless coffee will have you pledging your allegiance to the Stars and Stripes. Just be sure to hike off all those calories...

The lodge itself has a fantastic restaurant with a carefully crafted menu featuring local, seasonal produce from Swan Valley bison tenderloin to Idaho rainbow trout. It's good, hearty food (you'll need it) at fine dining standards. Next door in the bar, knowledgeable staff will whip you up anything from a margarita to a huckleberry martini (a must try), or simply a fine glass of pinot noir.

Idaho is a fantastic place – the people are warm and welcoming, the scenery is breathtaking, and there are no end of adventures to be had. Just make sure you discover it before everyone else does. Oh and, have a great time y'all! }



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Reach for the sky

The Aviator lobby welcomes guests in style

Vicky Smith heads to The Aviator for a taste of the high life

The edge of an airfield in Farnborough may not immediately spring to mind as the usual location for a weekend escape from the city. But then, The Aviator is no ordinary hotel. And the airport next door is no ordinary landing strip – it's used by a variety of visitors, but most notably those fortunate enough to charter or own a private plane. Upon their arrival, many need somewhere to stay, which is where The Aviator comes in. But happily, you don't need a Cessna or Boeing 707 (à la John Travolta) to stay here – this stylish luxury hotel is just as easily reached by the more conventional methods of car or train.

It's on the latter that we left London, on a grey Friday afternoon just as the Euros kicked off. A mere half an hour from Waterloo, and five minutes of football-related conversation in a taxi, later, and we'd swapped our respective desks for the almost space-age Aviator lobby. The hotel does luxury, but in a modern, understated way. Sleek lines and bold design are mixed with fun, transport-inspired touches – weathered leather trunks, and aeroplane-style 'windows' in the lifts showing a blue sky (if only the reality had been the same).

We'd arrived in time to prepare for the hotel's inaugural 'FORM' event, a special night combining art, music, fine food and wine. It's nothing too regimented, just small touches – an

exhibition in the lobby, special set menu in the restaurant, and further refreshment (in the form of martinis and music) in the bar – to enjoy at your own pace, and proved a great excuse to get out of town for the night.

Dinner was a buzzy and intimate affair, in the surrounds of a private area in the hotel's restaurant. A carefully planned out menu combined some lovely British produce – Hampshire lamb rack, English asparagus salad with wood sorrel – with exciting and inventive flavours like wild turbot with lemon verbena broth, and Brixham scallops with cucumber sorbet. This was all accompanied by wines from Little Beauty vineyard. The wonderfully entertaining and knowledgeable producers were on hand to explain each choice and, more importantly, keep glasses topped up.

After dinner, it was up to the Sky Bar (which, during the day, has some pretty impressive views of the airfield) for an award-winning 'Silver Jet' cocktail – a lethal-but-lovely combo of tequila and ginger beer, with a large red chilli balanced precariously on the edge of the glass. A few more and I think it's safe to say we'd have danced to the DJ well into the early hours...

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Where do you live and work?

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Where would you spend a lost day in London?

London is such a fantastic place with many special places. If ever in the possession of a 'lost day' in London, I'd visit Tower Bridge, Marylebone High Street, the Natural History Museum and numerous restaurants.

What would you have as your last meal?

A home cooked Persian feast.

What photograph are you most proud of?

There's no such thing. One that I have spent years trying, and is still not yet 100 per cent there, is an image of a herd of horses galloping freely along a beach. This will be featured in my next book about Oman that I have spent the last six years working on.

What was the last film you saw?

I see most films on a plane and I always fall asleep before it is over. But in a real theatre, my last film was War Horse. Not because the title of one of my books is *Horse Warriors*, but because I was curious to see how the play adapted to a movie. I thought the photography was brilliant.

What's the best thing about your job?

The travel, adventure and the friends I make although I do not call it a job but a way of life, and a privilege it is.

What advice would you give to a tourist in your area?

Walk and ride the double decker bus to all the different popular sites. But for sure go visit Horse Guards Parade during changing of the Guard to see the Household Cavalry.

What is your favourite restaurant?

Scalini in Knightsbridge as it is very close by.

What would you be doing if you weren't a photographer?

At this point in my life when I am working on photographing five books at different stages, I would be travelling even more and taking more photographs rather than working on a book.

Where do you visit to be a culture culture?

How much time do you have? It starts from my doorstep as there is so much to experience right here in Knightsbridge where I did my very first book on the Household Cavalry.

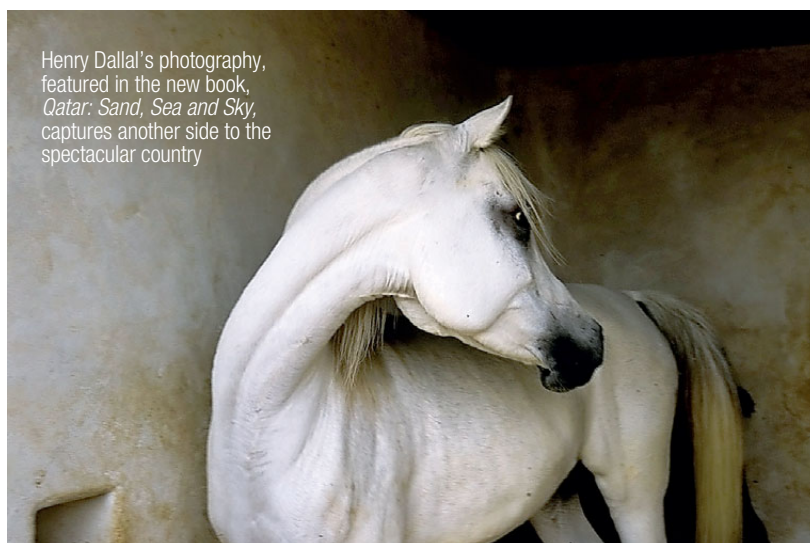
If money were no object, where would you live?

I am happy here in London at this point in my life with or without money. Wealth to me is the ability to travel and return home.

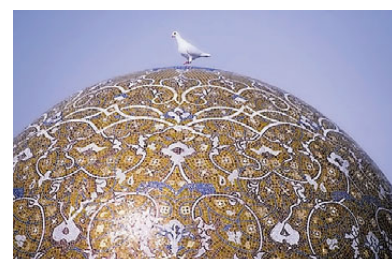
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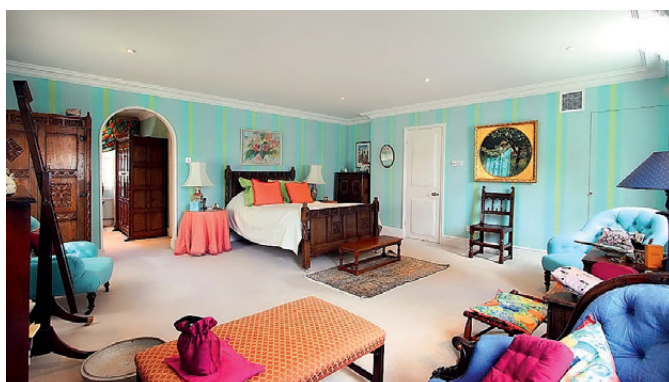
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Welcome to this month's property pages. Your home is likely to be your biggest asset, so this month I've been looking at ways to add value to it, from adding rooms to improving what you've already got. I've also been making a splash picking out five of our favourite bathrooms on the market and have been musing on London's museum district, namely South Kensington.



*Karen Tait,
property editor*



Editor's pick

This landmark stucco-fronted house on Cadogan Gate, SW1X, is already a beautiful home but there's potential to make it even better by converting the basement. On the market for the first time in 17 years, the house has five bedrooms, a large garage, terrace and, a bonus for me, a spectacular Magnolia tree, whose wonderful springtime blooms always make my heart sing. The property is for sale at £5,950,000. (Douglas & Gordon, 020 7225 1225)



Ups and downs

The latest news and views on the never-dull London property market

London still packs a superprime punch

With financial and political uncertainty across the globe, a new report from leading commercial real estate advisor CBRE reiterates the fact that the “superprime residential markets have emerged as one of the leading secure investment options for the world’s super wealthy”. The top end of the market forms an exclusive club of international cities, of which London is “still one of the most compelling choices”.

The report cites a number of factors that attract affluent international buyers, including time-zone, language, infrastructure, easy access via air travel, and the fact that London has one of the world’s primary financial and cultural districts.

From a pure investment angle, the figures certainly stack up – average property prices in prime central London have increased by 35% since 2009 and are now 16% above their 2007 peak. Growth looks likely to continue, particularly in light of limited supply – CBRE expects further growth this year of 6%.

The report goes on to say: “The market can also be accessed from a range of price points; the prime market is typically around £1,500-£2,500 psf (\$2,000-\$3,800 psf), while the super prime can be in excess of £3,000 psf (\$5,000 psf). This can only be matched by Monaco and Hong Kong.”

While Mayfair, Knightsbridge and Belgravia are noted as traditional hotspots, the geographical spread is expanding as the capital absorbs a greater share of international spend, with “prime pockets springing up away from the traditional ‘golden postcodes’”. In particular, investment is pushing the prime market north west, towards St John’s Wood,

Hampstead and Regents Park... In addition, there appears to be a shift eastwards, towards the City”.

While location is still key, other features proving crucial for property to be considered as a prime asset include “state-of-the-art security systems and a comprehensive concierge service. Most extremely wealthy buyers would not consider a scheme without these fundamental features.”

The report goes on to say: “Externally, the building will need to be stunning – either with a powerful historic facade or if it is new build, be the craft of an award winning architect. To go straight to the top of the class, the building itself will be iconic; a landmark within the city and an overt symbol of wealth. Quite literally, it will be a trophy.”

London prices beat inflation

In the latest Rightmove house price index, London is the only region where property prices have outpaced inflation over the last five years, with average asking prices 3% ahead of retail price inflation since August 2007.

Almost 30,000 sellers per week came to market prior to the Diamond Jubilee weekend, the highest rate of new listings for two years. The report says that further increases in asking prices will be unlikely as fresh supply exceeds summer demand, although elsewhere reports on an imbalance between a chronic shortage in stock and strong demand might suggest otherwise.

Meanwhile, research from Savills reveals a slowdown in the London market, which only increased by 0.9% in the second quarter of 2012, representing an annual rise of 6%, the lowest level



Despite recession, the value of the Crown Estate's properties rose by 7.4% in the past year to £7.6bn – the portfolio includes historic assets such as Regent Street

Long live the Crown Estate

The Queen has a lot to be smiling about these days, and I'm not just talking about Jubilee celebrations or how well the grandkids are turning out. At a time when most of her subjects are experiencing a pay freeze, she will receive a 20% pay rise next April, taking her 'salary' to £36m. And it's due in part to the flourishing London property market.

This is because, since 2010, the Queen's income, or Sovereign Grant, has been linked to the performance of the Crown Estate, which includes the Queen's property holdings and which posted a record profit of \$240.4m in the year to March 2012, an increase of 4%. This was due primarily to increased rents from retailers for its London properties and wind farm developments (the Crown Estate owns most of the seabed around the UK).

It's good news for taxpayers too, as profits go to the Exchequer and contribute to the public finances. Equal to 15% of the Crown Estate's annual profits, the Sovereign Grant was created by the Coalition last October, replacing the Civil List and representing the biggest change for 250 years to the way the Queen's official duties and household staff are financed.

Crown Estate projects include the \$500m regeneration of the St James's district, which will involve almost 300,000 square feet of new shops, offices and homes.

Rents hit record high

London average rents have reached an all-time high of \$1,038pcm, increasing by 0.6% in May, according to the latest Buy-to-Let Index from LSL Property Services, which owns the UK's largest lettings agent network, including national chain Your Move.

However, the findings are somewhat at odds with Savills' prime London rentals index, which reports that annual rents have slipped into negative territory for the first time in two years, down 0.4% year on year. A shift away from core central locations was noted, as well as international tenants accounting for 52% of demand in traditionally domestic south west London. Knight Frank also reports that rents in prime central London fell in May, dropping by 0.3% and reversing April's small but promising 0.1% rise.

Meanwhile, a poll on the London mayoral site has revealed that the majority of London's renters say they have been priced out of property ownership in the capital and don't believe they will ever own their own home.

since September 2009. Bucking this trend are Chelsea, Mayfair, Belgravia and Knightsbridge, all recording growth of 1.2% or more, averaging 8.9% annual growth.

"It is now three years since the markets bottomed out and we've seen a period of intense activity and price growth, but it now seems unlikely that the market will have the capacity for further price growth in the short term," says Lucian Cook, director of Savills research. The agency predicts five-year growth of around 23%.

Although overseas buyers continue to favour central locations, accounting for 58% of buyers in the first half of 2012, the government's recent stamp duty measures are beginning to make their presence felt. The market appears to be pausing for thought while they adapt to the new regime.

Knight Frank's prime central London index also points to the rate of price growth slowing, reporting that: "While the safe-haven factor continues to support the market, we are beginning to see resistance from buyers to ongoing price increases, and the difference between asking and achieved prices is beginning to widen," adding that: "In October last year we forecast 5% growth in prices for the whole of 2012. With 5.5% growth already, we do not expect to see a significant additional uplift during the remainder of 2012."

According to the report, prime central London property prices rose 0.8% in June 2012. Prices have risen 48.4% since their post-credit-crunch low in March 2009, and are 13% above their previous peak of March 2008. Over the past three months, price growth has been more robust in the lower price bands, sub-£1m (3.3%) and £1m-£2.5m (3.2%).



Turn outside space into additional 'living' areas

Value-added facts

Your home is probably your biggest asset so it makes sense to add value to it where possible. Here are our eight top tips

1. Add space

A well-planned extension, loft or basement conversion should add more value to a property than it costs, but take care that it doesn't take it above the ceiling price in your area. Spending more on your home than you could recoup when you come to sell it is not the name of the game!

Loft conversions tend to be the most cost-effective way of adding space. They don't usually require planning permission but must comply with building regulations. The amount of work will depend on the roof structure and available headroom; don't forget to factor in space for stairs too.

Note that adding one or two loft bedrooms to a three-bedroom house will not necessarily make it equivalent in value to an existing four/five

bedroom property, unless it has a corresponding amount of downstairs space. Also consider the balance of bathrooms to bedrooms.

Basement conversions can totally transform a house, but the work is expensive and disruptive, especially if extensive digging out or reinforcement of foundations is required.

An extension is an obvious way of adding space but the potential is fairly limited in central London where properties often have little outside space. Extending a terraced house out to the side return can be particularly effective.

Sometimes just obtaining planning permission for a conversion or extension prior to putting it on the market can add to a property's appeal and perceived value.

2. Remodel the interior

If you can't add space, it's often possible to create the feeling of space by remodelling the interior. You can draw up floorplans using simple software (or pencil and paper), then play around with the layout, removing and adding walls.

In open-plan designs, halls can be removed to create space, kitchens knocked through to dining rooms, mezzanine floors introduced, or en-suites added to bedrooms.

Increasing the number of bedrooms can add a disproportionate amount of value to a property so consider dividing a larger bedroom into two, or utilising spare landing space.

3. Makeover the kitchen

Before starting on cosmetic

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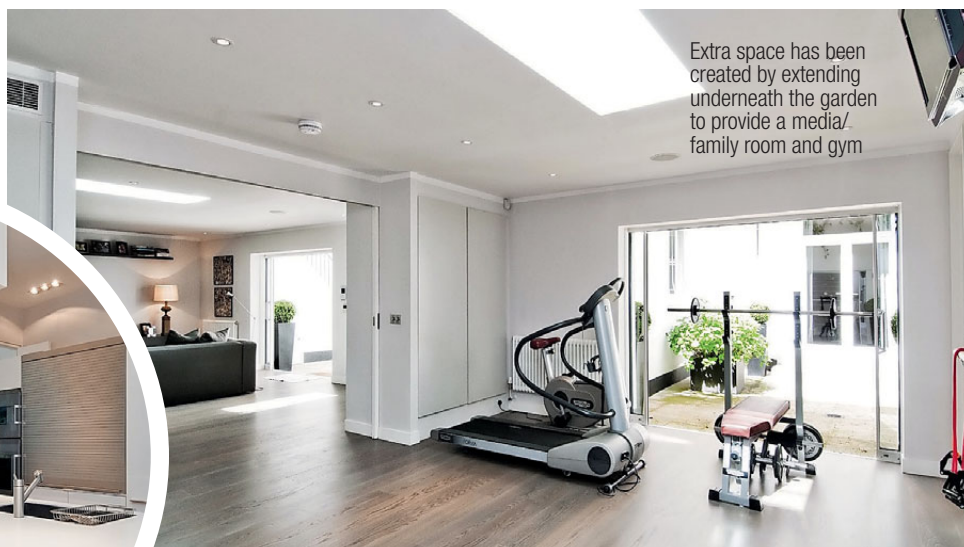
Fit a sleek new kitchen

improvements, decide whether you want to make structural changes to the kitchen, or even locate it elsewhere in the property. You might be able to steal space from adjacent areas or link a dining room and kitchen. Mixing existing items with new can be an effective way to update without blowing the budget, or combining value and high-end products – for example, using existing or basic kitchen cabinetry with expensive worktops and handles. Integrated white goods generally look neater, good lighting can make all the difference and an attractive range cooker is the sort of feature that will catch the eye of buyers.

4. Add a bathroom

En-suite bathrooms are much sought-after so if you can add one without taking too much space from elsewhere (they can be fitted into surprisingly compact spaces), it will help to increase value.

Bathrooms are a good place to add luxury; something as simple as a fabulous showerhead can add the wow factor. Choose the best quality fittings you can afford but less is often more in small bathrooms and en-suites, so keep things uncluttered. Avoid extravagant design statements and choose simple white suites; you can always add interest with beautiful tiles or colourful towels. If possible fit a separate shower and



Extra space has been created by extending underneath the garden to provide a media/family room and gym

bath. Freestanding baths make a statement, and can be traditional or contemporary in style. Mirrors will make rooms seem bigger and add a touch of glamour, lighting can be used to good effect, and heated towel rails and underfloor heating are a good investment.

5. Update systems

Central-heating is essential for most buyers, so introducing it, or upgrading existing systems, is a pretty foolproof way of increasing value. As well as being more energy-efficient, new boilers, or eco-friendly options such as air source heat pumps, are cheaper to run so will appeal to buyers.

The opposite is true of out-of-date wiring and plumbing, but replacing it will be messy so consider such work before decorating. While rewiring, use the opportunity to update lighting.

Pressurised plumbing systems, rather than gravity fed, eliminate the need for a header tank, thus freeing up space (important if you're also considering a loft conversion). To really make your property stand out from the rest, consider the latest in technological advances such as automated control systems for lighting, music and blinds.

6. Don't forget the garden

With relatively little work – weeding and pruning overgrown shrubs – you can produce a tidy garden that will add value and appeal to a property. As well as introducing colour and interest with plants, create areas for different functions such as seating, dining, entertaining or relaxing. An attractive deck or terrace will extend the feeling of living space, especially

when combined with modern bifold doors. Don't overlook roof terraces and balconies too; they can be a real deal clincher in central London, where outside space is at a premium.

7. Improve kerb appeal

This is possibly the most cost-effective way to improve the value of your home, and is particularly important if you are selling it. The front of the house is the first thing buyers see and bad first impressions can be difficult to overcome. A few slipped tiles could cost you a sale if the buyer thinks the property might need a complete new roof. Costs vary depending on what's required, for example, do windows and doors need to be replaced (double-glazing is expected by many buyers) or just painted? Other things to consider include repointing brickwork, repairing cracked render, fixing gutters, adding climbing or potted plants, replacing/adding a house sign or number, and tidying up front gardens and drives.

8. Add parking

Being rare in London, garages and off-street parking attract a premium, so if you are able to convert space in front of or alongside your property, it can make a big difference to your property's value, especially if street parking is restricted. On unclassified roads you don't normally need planning permission to create vehicular access onto your land, but you must comply with local authority highway regulations for the construction of the drop kerb, for example, and will need a right of way to cross over any land that you do not own e.g. a grass verge. }

property



**Ennismore Gardens,
Knightsbridge, SW7
£14,500,000**

This ground and first floor apartment boasts classical features including an impressive hallway and grand stone staircase. There are three bedrooms, and the master bedroom suite has its own dressing room and this stunning bathroom.

W.A. Ellis, 020 7306 1610

5 of the best...

Bathrooms can be a sanctuary away from the stresses of daily life... here are five of our favourites on the market



White nights

**The Little Boltons, Chelsea, SW10
£1,650,000**

Situated within the Boltons conservation area, this one-bedroom raised ground floor flat mixes period details with contemporary styling. With a separate bath and shower, the spacious bathroom features a cool and uncluttered décor.

Knight Frank, 020 7349 4300



Seeing double
Scarsdale Villas, Kensington, W8
£6,000,000

This classic five-bedroom home has been refurbished to exacting

standards, with a modern and elegant feel that extends to the large bathroom featuring his 'n hers basins, and the Bulthaup kitchen with its double doors onto the garden.

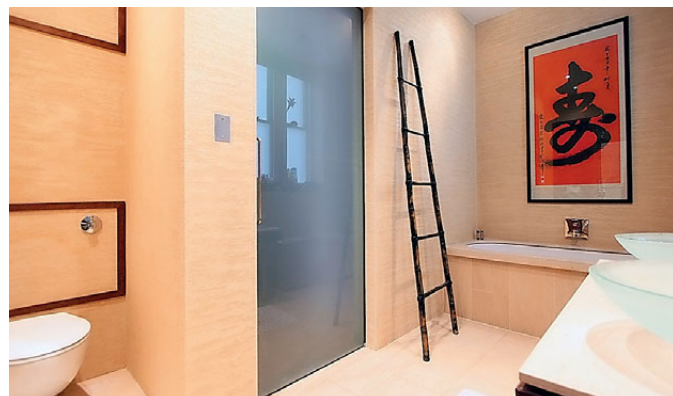
Marsh & Parsons, 020 7368 4450



Contemporary chic
Cope Place,
Kensington, W8
£6,250,000

This bathroom makes a real statement with its large spa bath, dramatic tiles and high-flow shower system by Hans Grohe and Dornbracht plus dedicated steam enclosure. The contemporary new-build apartment has four bedrooms and a roof terrace.

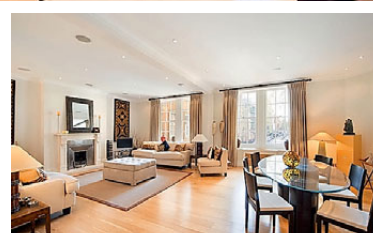
Savills, 020 7535 3300 / 020 7581 5234



Property ladder
Palace Court, W2
£2,700 per week

On the first floor of a portered mansion building, this stylishly decorated three-bedroom apartment boasts a large reception room and two bathrooms plus shower room.

Douglas & Gordon, 020 7792 1331





Culture club

Back in the 19th century, South Kensington literally made an exhibition of itself – the rest is history...

Museums, of course, define South Kensington, although it is so much more. The foundations were laid for its evolution as a centre for the arts and sciences when the Great Exhibition was held in 1851. Some 87 acres were purchased by the exhibition commissioners, under Prince Albert (in 1876 Queen Victoria placed a memorial there to her late husband).

This investment prompted a building boom, transforming what had previously been an agricultural area supplying fruit and veg to London into a highly desirable residential location, with large terraced Victorian houses that still characterise the area

today, many of which have since been divided into apartments.

Meanwhile, the arrival of the Underground to Gloucester Road and South Kensington in 1868 sealed the area's fortunes, connecting it to London's main rail stations, and the political and financial heart of the city.

Today Exhibition Road links great British institutions such as the Natural History Museum, the Science Museum, the Victoria and Albert Museum and the Royal Albert Hall, making South Kensington one of the world's foremost cultural hubs, with world famous exhibitions and concerts held year round. Academic behemoths such as Imperial College London,

the Royal Geographical Society, and the Royal Colleges of Art and Music complete this impressive picture.

Although South Kensington naturally attracts hordes of tourists, it is one of London's most attractive residential areas, home to fine red-brick mansion blocks, stucco facades and peaceful garden squares. One of the most affluent areas of the capital, it has more than its fair share of designer shops (mainly around Sloane Avenue and Fulham Road), elegant hotels, high-performing schools, top restaurants and a thriving nightlife, including Boujis nightclub, which is patronised by young royals and their friends. With Kensington Palace and



Gardens nearby, as well as Hyde Park further east, it is clear why this is a fashionable, and hence expensive, place to live.

There's a cosmopolitan vibe to South Kensington, in particular French due to the high number of expats in residence, drawn by the presence of the French Consulate, Lycée Français Charles de Gaulle secondary school, French Institute and Lumière cinema.

Part of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, South Kensington's boundaries are not sharply drawn, but generally it's the area around the tube station of the same name and the adjacent garden squares and streets, as well as the neighbourhood around Gloucester Square tube and the Exhibition Road area. It is located to the south of Hyde Park, west of Knightsbridge, and north of Earls Court.

For househunters, the majority of properties are period, mainly Victorian, some Georgian, and there are considerably more flats than



Both these properties are located on Onslow Gardens, one of the most sought-after addresses in South Kensington. This three-bedroom maisonette, left, is for sale for £1,999,950 (Marsh & Parsons, 020 7591 5570), while the three-bedroom duplex, above, is £2,250,000 (Savills Chelsea, 020 7578 9001)

houses. For the area's many European residents, used to a culture of apartment living, this isn't so much of a problem, but it does mean that there are fewer large family homes available than in some parts of central London.

Mews houses and properties on garden squares are particularly sought after, with exclusive addresses such as Onslow Gardens, Onslow Square and the Boltons being home to some of London's priciest properties. }

FACTFILE:

Area: South Kensington

Borough: Kensington & Chelsea

Postcode: SW7, SW3, SW5, W8

Travel: Tube stations include South Kensington and Gloucester Road (Circle, District, Picadilly), Sloane Square (Circle, District). The nearest train station is Victoria. There are plenty of buses, including 24-hour, and the A4 and A40 provide routes out of London and to Heathrow Airport

MARKET COMMENT

• Niki Harding, Douglas & Gordon: "It's a popular location in general, but especially so with the French, so prime stock sells quickly and at good prices, with demand currently outstripping supply."

• William Hughes-Ward, Marsh & Parsons: "South Kensington is a prime location and prices have been robust given the lack of supply of stock and strong overseas demand. I see prices stabilising through Q2 and Q3 as the euro financial crisis grips the headlines, with potential growth in Q4 and beyond, as low interest rates, positive employment figures, limited supply and continued demand underpin the market."

• Marina Collett, John D Wood: "South Kensington is one of the capital's most European areas, so the market is heavily influenced by the euro. At the moment, the situation with Greece has not been resolved; the outcome will have a tangible impact on our local property market."

• Charlie Bubear, Savills: "Although short on supply, good stock in prime addresses is trading as well as Knightsbridge, and people like to step away from Knightsbridge and Belgravia to find more of a community and good schools. There is an enormous French and Italian community, and as long as we have a weak pound against the euro we will have buyers."

• John Kennedy, Knight Frank: "The market is struggling with the lack of good apartments. Whether it be a standard two-bedroom up to \$1.5m or a stunning lateral four-bedroom mansion block apartment up to \$4m, we need more stock."

• Simon Godson, W.A. Ellis: "A lot of families purchase homes on or near to the prestigious garden squares. The redevelopment of Exhibition Road has given the area a facelift and created a café culture which is adding to its attraction."

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The Vale | Chelsea | SW3

4,324 sq ft (401 sq m)

A magnificent house refurbished to a high specification, offering superb entertaining space and a secluded rear west-facing garden.

Drawing room | Media room | Family room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Six bedrooms |
Six en suite bath/shower rooms | Utility room | Cloakroom | Garden

£8,950 per week Unfurnished

Chelsea 020 7589 9966



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prime property

Gloucester Road, SW7
£1,250,000

What: A beautifully refurbished first floor flat boasting two terraces and an abundance of light.

Wow factor: The property offers stunning features that include original cornicing, high ceilings, and French doors leading onto the balcony.

Extras: Reception room, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, and mezzanine.

Strutt & Parker,
020 7373 1010



Chepstow Road, W2
Price upon application

What: A beautifully presented two bedroom maisonette.

Wow factor: The well proportioned drawing room and beautiful kitchen on the raised ground floor.

Extras: Entrance hall, drawing room, kitchen, en-suite bathroom, en-suite shower room, and garden.



Palace Court, W2
Price upon application

What: A beautifully presented one bedroom flat occupying approximately 702sq ft.

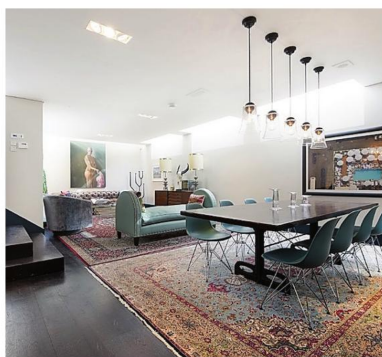
Wow factor: The property has generous entertaining space including a lovely high ceilinged drawing room.

Extras: Entrance hall, good sized double bedroom, drawing room, kitchen, and bathroom.

Strutt & Parker, 020 7221 1111

Best of neighbours

Strutt & Parker showcase top London locations, from Chelsea to Notting Hill



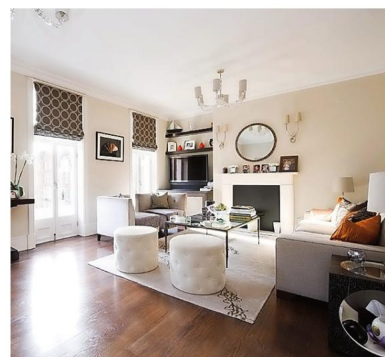
Portland Road, W11
Price upon application

What: A wonderful three bedroom house located on this popular Holland Park road.

Wow factor: The west-facing patio garden also offers the potential for off street parking accessed from Pottery Lane.

Extras: Entrance hall, drawing room, kitchen/dining room, conservatory, three bedrooms, two bathrooms, and study.

Strutt & Parker, 020 7221 1111



Embankment Gardens, SW3
Price upon application

What: A three bedroom lateral flat on the third floor of this highly sought after and elegant period building.

Wow factor: This exquisite apartment extends to some 2,000sq ft and benefits from well appointed accommodation.

Extras: Drawing room, kitchen/dining room, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, guest cloakroom, and loft storage.

Strutt & Parker, 020 7225 3866

Our results speak for

Clabon Mews | Knightsbridge | SW1X



SOLD

2,519 sq ft (234.02 sq m)

An immaculately presented freehold mews house.

Drawing room | Dining room | Kitchen | Six bedrooms | Four bathrooms | Garden | Garage

Asking price
£5,850,000 Freehold

Chelsea
020 7225 3866

Margaretta Terrace | Chelsea | SW3



SOLD

1,888 sq ft (175.4 sq m)

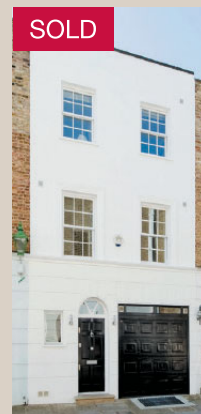
An extremely well maintained west-facing Grade II Listed house.

Drawing room | Kitchen/dining room | Three bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Garden | Roof terrace

Asking price
£3,750,000 Freehold

Chelsea
020 7225 3866

Seymour Walk | Chelsea | SW10



SOLD

2,513 sq ft (233.5 sq m)

A recently refurbished house with wonderful entertaining space.

Drawing room | Kitchen/dining room | Family room | Five bedrooms | Five bathrooms | Utility room | Garden | Roof terrace | Garage

Asking price
£4,650,000 Freehold

West Chelsea
020 7373 1010



SOLD

Cranmer Court | Chelsea | SW3

937 sq ft (87.05 sq m)

A super apartment in this highly regarded block.

Drawing room | Two bedrooms | Bathroom | Shower room | Lift | 24 hour portage

Asking price £1,450,00 Share of Freehold

Chelsea 020 7225 3866



SOLD

Redesdale Street | Chelsea | SW3

1,093 sq ft (101.5 sq m)

An immaculate and beautifully presented maisonette.

Double reception room | Kitchen | Three bedrooms | Two bath/shower rooms | Utility room | Terrace

Asking price £1,950,000 Share of Freehold

Chelsea 020 7225 3866



SOLD

Durham House | Chelsea | SW3

1,960 sq ft (182.08 sq m)

An outstanding lateral penthouse flat.

Drawing room | Dining room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Two bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Flat

Asking price £5,250,000 Share of Freehold

Chelsea 020 7225 3866



SOLD

Roland Gardens | S.Kensington | SW7

1,769 sq ft (164.3 sq m)

An exceptional flat with a superb landscaped garden.

Reception room/kitchen | Three bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Garden | Two storage vaults

Asking price £2,650,000 Share of Freehold

West Chelsea 020 7373 1010



SOLD

Stanhope Gardens | S.Kensington | SW7

1,592 sq ft (147.9 sq m)

A wonderfully bright first floor flat.

Reception room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Three double bedrooms | Bathroom | Shower room

Asking price £2,500,000 Leasehold

West Chelsea 020 7373 1010



SOLD

Drayton Gardens | Chelsea | SW10

1,366 sq ft (126.9 sq m)

A luxurious flat with porter and secure parking.

Drawing/dining room | Kitchen | Two bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Lift

Asking price £2,295,000 Share of Freehold

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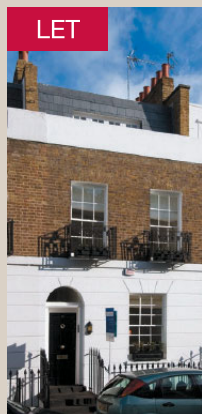
Will Watson
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Shawfield Street | Chelsea | SW3



LET

1,636 sq ft (151.98 sq m)

An excellent Grade II Listed period terraced house with a beautiful garden.

Double reception | Kitchen | Dining room | Three double bedrooms | Two en suite bathrooms | Shower room | Garden | Roof terrace

£1,900 per week
Unfurnished

Chelsea
020 7589 9966

Neville Street | Chelsea | SW7



LET

3,265 sq ft (303 sq m)

A stunning house quietly situated in the heart of South Kensington.

Four reception rooms | Kitchen | Study | Five bedrooms | Three bathrooms | Utility room | Garden

£4,750 per week
Unfurnished

Chelsea
020 7589 9966

Elm Park Road | Chelsea | SW3



LET

2,329 sq ft (216.37 sq m)

An exceptional family house over only four floors in this prime Chelsea street.

Four bedrooms | Four bathrooms | Two reception rooms | Kitchen | Garden

£4,250 per week
Unfurnished

West Chelsea
020 7373 1010



LET

Ovington Street | Chelsea | SW3

1,717 sq ft (160 sq m)

A delightful three bedroom family house.

Double reception | Dining room | Kitchen | Three double bedrooms | Three bathrooms | Garden

£1,750 per week Unfurnished

Chelsea 020 7589 9966



LET

Elm Park Gardens | Chelsea | SW10

1,122 sq ft (104.24 sq m)

A beautiful flat in immaculate condition.

Two bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Reception room | Kitchen | Access to communal gardens

£1,200 per week Furnished

West Chelsea 020 7373 1010



LET

Old Church Street | Chelsea | SW3

2,565 sq ft (238.3 sq m)

A wonderful triple aspect apartment.

Open plan kitchen/reception room | Four bedrooms | Three bathrooms

£3,350 per week Furnished

Chelsea 020 7589 9966



LET

Evelyn Gardens | Chelsea | SW7

2,657 sq ft (246.84 sq m)

An outstanding ground floor maisonette.

Two reception rooms | Study | Eat-in kitchen | Four bedrooms | Utility room | Access to communal gardens

£3,500 per week Unfurnished

West Chelsea 020 7373 1010



LET

Onslow Gardens | Chelsea | SW3

704 sq ft (65 sq m)

A stunning newly refurbished first floor flat finished to an exceptional standard.

Reception | Kitchen | Two bedrooms | Garden square

£1,100 per week Furnished

Chelsea 020 7589 9966



LET

Redcliffe Road | Chelsea | SW10

1,079 sq ft (100.24 sq m)

A well proportioned, bright and spacious, split level flat.

Two bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Reception room | Kitchen

£850 per week Unfurnished

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Observatory Gardens | Kensington | W8

1,665 sq ft (154.7 sq m)

An impressive two bedroom ground floor maisonette with its own street entrance, 24 hour portage and an underground parking space.

Entrance hall | Drawing room | Kitchen | Dining room | Master bedroom with en suite bathroom | Second bedroom with en suite bathroom | Cloakroom | Utility area | 24 hour portage | Underground parking space

Asking price £3,500,000 Share of Freehold

Kensington 020 7938 3666



Lennox Gardens | Knightsbridge | SW1

1,279 sq ft (118.82 sq m)

A well presented and superbly positioned two double bedroom apartment in this most desirable garden square address.

Entrance hall | Double reception room | Kitchen | Master bedroom with en suite | Bedroom two | Bathroom

Asking price £3,250,000 Leasehold

Knightsbridge 020 7235 9959



Ormonde Gate | Chelsea | SW3

865 sq ft (80.4 sq m)

An immaculate first and second floor two bedroom maisonette with outstanding views in this much sought after address.

Entrance lobby | Drawing room | Kitchen | Master bedroom with en suite | Bedroom two | Shower room

Asking price £1,850,000 Long Leasehold

Chelsea 020 7225 3866



Sheffield Terrace | Kensington | W8

3,500 sq ft (52.2 sq m)

A spectacular apartment situated in the heart of Kensington boasting direct access onto the extensive and beautifully maintained communal gardens.

Two reception rooms | Kitchen | Double bedroom with en suite bathroom | Three further double bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Utility room | Direct access to communal gardens

£2,850 per week Unfurnished

Kensington 020 7938 3866

Our results speak for

One Hyde Park | Knightsbridge | SW1X



SOLD

2,890 sq ft (268.5 sq m)

The Landmark View.
Located at One Hyde Park in the heart of fashionable Knightsbridge.

Two reception rooms |
Three bedrooms | Three
bathrooms | Utility | WC |
Parking | Gym | Spa |
Pool | Squash court |
24 hour concierge

Asking price
£17,350,000 Leasehold

Pont Street Mews | Knightsbridge | SW1X



SOLD

3,636 sq ft (337.8 sq m)

A sensational double
fronted mews house in
London's premier mews.

Two reception rooms |
Kitchen | Games room |
Four bedrooms | Three
bath/shower rooms | WC |
Cloakroom | Garage

Asking price
£12,000,000 Freehold

Chester Square | Belgravia | SW1W



SOLD

8,215 sq ft (763.2 sq m)

One of the most
impressive houses in
Belgravia, interior
designed by Finchamton.

Drawing room | Dining
room | Family room |
Kitchen/breakfast room |
Cinema | Gym | Six
bedroom suites | Staff
accommodation | Air
cooling | Terrace | Double
garage

Asking price
£32,500,000 Freehold



SOLD

Venner House | Belgravia | SW1W

751 sq ft (69.8 sq m)

A charming apartment in a well run building with an open south-west facing aspect.

Reception room with dining area | Kitchen | Two
bedrooms | Bathroom | Terrace

Asking price £995,000 Leasehold



SOLD

Lowndes Sq | Knightsbridge | SW1X

3,186 sq ft (296 sq m)

A newly refurbished lateral apartment overlooking this world renowned garden square.

Drawing room | Dining room | Kitchen | Five
bedrooms | Five bathrooms | Media room | Utility

Asking price £12,000,000 Freehold



SOLD

Cadogan Sq | Knightsbridge | SW1X

504 sq ft (46.8 sq m)

A stylish and boutique raised ground floor flat.

Drawing room | Kitchen | Bedroom with en suite
bathroom | Resident caretaker | Access to
communal gardens and tennis court

Asking price £1,395,000 Leasehold



SOLD

Clabon Mews | Knightsbridge | SW1X

2,445 sq ft (227.1 sq m)

A stunning newly developed mews house in one of Knightsbridge's most desirable mews.

Drawing room | Kitchen/dining room | Four
bedrooms | Four bathrooms | Garage

Asking price £6,250,000 Freehold



SOLD

Eaton Terrace | Belgravia | SW1W

4,465 sq ft (414.8 sq m)

A grand unmodernised townhouse just off Sloane Square.

Reception room | Kitchen | Dining room | Five
bedrooms | Five bathrooms | Terrace | Garage

Asking price £8,750,000 Freehold



SOLD

Royal Ct House | Knightsbridge | SW1X

1,926 sq ft (178.9 sq m)

A rare laterally converted apartment.

Reception room | Dining hall | Kitchen | Four
bedrooms | Three bathrooms | Study/library |
Cloakroom | Utility room | Three balconies | Lift

Asking price £5,950,000 Leasehold

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Montpelier Walk | Knightsbridge | SW7



LET

1,829 sq ft (170 sq m)

Newly refurbished four bedroom house.

Reception room | Kitchen | Four bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Terrace

£1,950 per week
Unfurnished

Curzon Square | Mayfair | W1J



LET

1,402 sq ft (130 sq m)

Lovely two bedroom flat in the heart of Mayfair.

Reception room | Kitchen | Two bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Porter | Lift | Parking

£1,600 per week
Furnished

Eaton Place | Belgravia | SW1X



LET

1,886 sq ft (175 sq m)

Lateral three bedroom flat finished to an immaculate standard.

Reception room | Kitchen | Dining room | Three bedrooms | Three Bathrooms

£3,000 per week
Furnished



LET

Hays Mews | Mayfair | W1J

1,126 sq ft (105 sq m)

Large flat situated in this quiet mews.

Reception room | Kitchen | Two bedrooms | Two bathrooms

£950 per week
Unfurnished



LET

Cadogan Square | Knightsbridge | SW1X

1,302 sq ft (120.15 sq m)

Fantastic views over one of the most sought after squares.

Reception room | Kitchen | Two bedrooms | Two bathrooms | Communal gardens

£1,850 per week
Furnished



LET

Pont St | Knightsbridge | SW1X

790 sq ft (73.39 sq m)

Immaculate one bedroom flat.

Reception room | Kitchen | Bedroom | Bathroom | Lift

£950 per week
Furnished



LET

Pont St | Knightsbridge | SW1X

643 sq ft (59.7 sq m)

Refurbished one bedroom flat with lots of natural light.

Reception room | Kitchen | Bedroom | Bathroom

£700 per week
Furnished



LET

Clabon Mews | Knightsbridge | SW1X

2,445 sq ft (227.15 sq m)

Newly developed mews house situated in one of Knightsbridge's most desirable streets.

Reception room | Kitchen | Three bedrooms | Three bathrooms | Media room

£3,950 per week
Unfurnished



LET

Montpelier Hall | Knightsbridge | SW7

3,859 sq ft (358.8 sq m)

Spectacular first floor apartment in a boutique development.

Reception room | Kitchen | Dining room | Four bedrooms | Four bathrooms | Terrace | Parking

£9,500 per week
Furnished

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Pick of SW10

Property highlights around Chelsea and its surroundings

Harley Gardens, SW10

\$6,250,000

What: A substantial four bedroom family house situated in this highly regarded address in The Boltons Conservation Area.

Wow factor: The accommodation is set over four floors only and is wonderfully bright and spacious.

Extras: Master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, three further bedrooms (one en-suite), family bathroom, double reception room, dining room, kitchen, study, and terrace.

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Lucas House, SW10
£1,300,000

What: A well-proportioned second floor flat in Lucas House, part of the exclusive Kings College complex.

Wow factor: The reception room has a south easterly view over the beautiful communal gardens as well as a balcony.

Extras: Master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, bedroom two, reception room, kitchen, parking, and porter.
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Priory Walk, SW10
£4,200 per week

What: A wonderful family house with a well-proportioned rear garden.

Wow factor: There are high ceilings throughout and the reception room and kitchen are double rooms.

Extras: Master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms, entrance hall, dining room, fitted kitchen, TV room/bedroom four, nanny's room/bedroom five, bathroom, and shower room.
Bodens, 020 7225 0433

Lettings Summer Market Comment

Fiona Guthrie, Plaza Estates

Early summer is usually a premium time for letting agents, with the market exploding with rental enquiries especially for larger properties. The trend this year has been different with increased demand in the spring from families and less demand than usual in June. The market can best be described as patchy but still active and we are achieving good results for our landlords generally, albeit sometimes taking a little longer than usual to find the perfect tenant.

Stock levels have improved since earlier in the year, but there are still shortages of some types of property, particularly the more affordable family flats and houses for which there has been a noticeable increase in demand.

To summarize, the usual seasonal trends are less predictable and the market has unexpected upturns and quiet patches. We are finding every week is different and need to be able to react quickly and to be intelligent with our approach to ensure we look after our landlords' best interests.
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Sales Summer Market Comment

Eitan Fox, Plaza Estates

It seems like the world's eyes are upon London. After a rousing Jubilee celebration, we now have the start of the Olympics. We feel that this global event will be a perfect opportunity to showcase London and maintain its profile when there is so much negativity in the world.

We have experienced a strong and diverse increase of new enquiries from overseas investors. Since the beginning of the year, many buyers were driven to purchase a property in London by low currency rates. However, many investors are now looking to protect their wealth in a global climate of rising economic and political risk and Prime Central London continues to be a safe haven for the world's elite.

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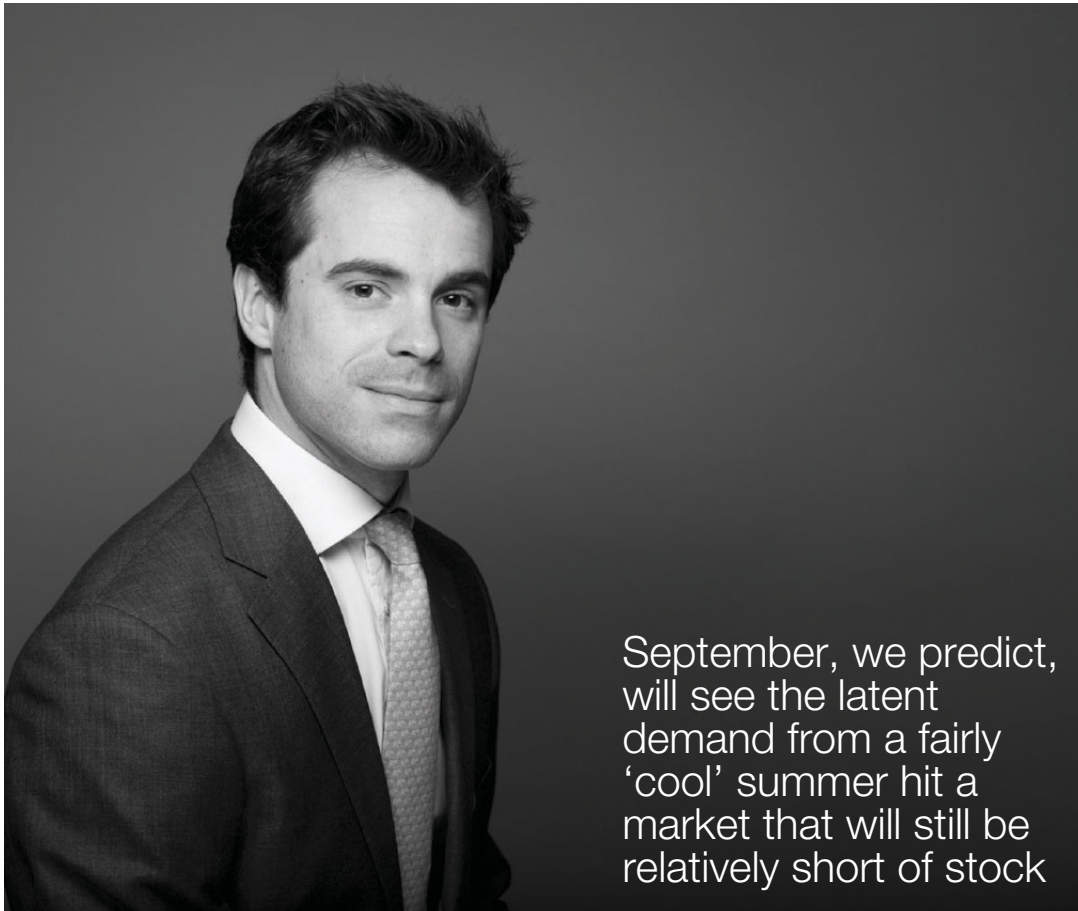
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HOTTING UP

Ivor Campbell-Davys, Partner of Strutt & Parker, on why autumn will prove to be a busy time on the property market

Everyone knew that this year would be a fantastic year for Britain – and London in particular. Yet a casualty of this fabulous year for the country at large, is a more awkward property market – one that is difficult for vendors and agents alike to predict.

The reality is that there is more stock within the market, which is wonderful for choice (something not experienced for some time), but there are fewer buyers. There is very much a silver lining – the core buyers are focused, out there and keen to find good stock, appropriately priced.

If there is one lesson that vendors take away from the last two months of this market – prior to the launch of the autumn market – it must be that sensible pricing of good stock will generate a far better result than an excessive, or rather hopeful, asking price.

I have no doubt that August will be a time when the flat market will be very busy – with visitor numbers expected to increase by 13% and two million tourists in total, there will be large numbers

of buyers 'looking'. September, we predict, will see the latent demand from a fairly 'cool' summer hit a market that will still be relatively short of stock. Certainly there are no signs that there will be an avalanche of stock to the market – the one factor that is sure to keep prices high in a market at the highest point it has ever been.

Those vendors who have carefully selected agents with a pro-active approach, a good register of buyers and a strong marketing campaign will reap the benefits in a market that should continue from where we left off before this busy summer began.

The next eight weeks will be a time for sellers to focus on being realistic and ensuring they can attract the best buyers possible. For buyers, it is a time to seek out the best buys before the latent demand catches up with, what we expect to be, a very busy autumn market in September. }

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Eaton Place, SW1

£2,375,000
Leasehold

Lease expires 25th December 2035

A particularly elegant West facing first floor flat which benefits from a wonderful drawing room some 38 feet in length. Accommodation which covers approximately 1,249 square feet (116 square meters) is arranged on one floor over the corner of the building consequently there are plenty of windows creating masses of natural light. Eaton Place is located in the heart of Belgravia a short walk from Sloane Square and Knightsbridge.

- Reception Room
- Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Master Bedroom with En-Suite Bathroom
- Shower Room

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Westmoreland Terrace

Pimlico SW1

A fabulous family house extending to almost 2,000 sq ft. On the ground floor is a grand double reception room which has been opened up to create a real sense of space. The master bedroom with dressing area & en-suite bathroom occupies the 1st floor & there are 3 further bedrooms & 2 family bathrooms. On the lower ground floor is a fabulous open plan kitchen/family room which opens to the pretty walled garden. Further benefits include a utility room, study, wet room & excellent storage throughout. The property is located in a very popular & quiet residential street within close proximity to Sloane Square & the shops & farmers market of Pimlico Road.

£2,000,000

freehold

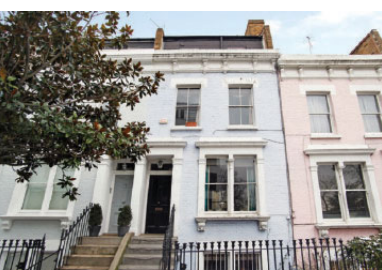
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Lots Road Chelsea SW10

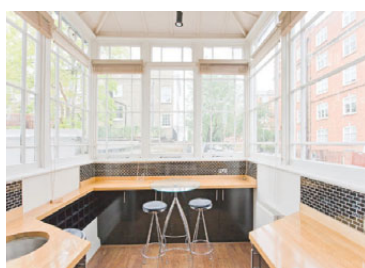
A wonderful Victorian family home arranged over 4 floors. The property comprises 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, excellent entertaining space, a patio garden & roof terrace. The property also benefits from southerly views across the River Thames & transport links from Imperial Wharf.

£1,950,000
freehold

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Scarsdale Villas

Kensington w8

Positioned on one of Kensington's most sought-after streets is this attractive maisonette set within an end of terrace Victorian conversion. There is a large reception room with high ceilings & an open staircase leading to the bedrooms & bathrooms on the floor below. Off the master bedroom is a paved patio. The kitchen is essentially a conservatory with high ceilings creating a light & airy room.

£1,375,000

share of freehold

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Manresa Road SW₃

£3,500 per week

This spectacular family home boasts excellent living space & an open plan reception room leading to a patio garden. A separate fully fitted modern kitchen, 4 double bedrooms each served by an en-suite or adjacent bathroom. Further benefits include a cinema room, sauna & secure garage.

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Princes Gate Mews SW₇

£1,750 per week

A beautiful mews house occupying over 3 floors & presented in excellent decorative order with modern fixtures & fittings. Comprising a reception room, drawing room, dining room/study, kitchen, 3 double bedrooms, 2 bathrooms (1 en suite), shower room & utility room. Located in this quiet mews in Knightsbridge, within close proximity to Hyde Park.

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Queens Gate Mews SW₇

£1,200 per week

A well presented 4 bedroom family mews house arranged over 3 floors & including a garage. The property comprises on the ground floor 2 bedrooms & a bathroom. On the 1st floor there is a lovely reception room, a dining room & a separate kitchen.

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Gloucester Street SW₁

£400 per week

A modern ground floor flat in this period building quietly located in the heart of the Pimlico Grid. Comprising a double bedroom, bathroom with shower attachment, large reception room with shutters & a fireplace & a well equipped kitchen. The property comes with exclusive access to a 1st floor terrace.

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Laundry Room | Roof Terrace



EATON TERRACE, SW1

Freehold family house

£5,950,000 Freehold

Double Drawing Room | Family Room | Dining Room | Fitted Kitchen | Study | 6 Bedrooms
3 Bathrooms (1 Ensuite) | Ensuite Shower Room | Utility Room | Terrace | Paved Garden



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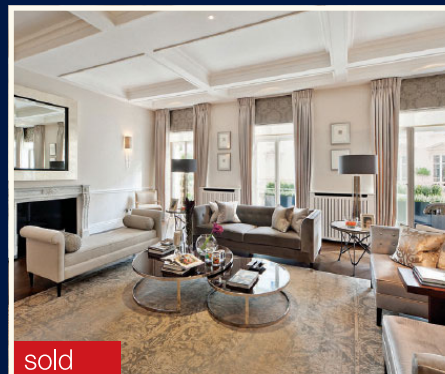
sold

Chesterfield Street, W1
Guide £10.75 million
Mayfair 020 7578 5100



sold

Lansdowne Road, W11
Guide £6.95 million
Kensington 020 7535 3300



sold

West Eaton Place, SW1
Guide £5.975 million
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sold

Ennismore Gardens, SW7
Guide £5.95 million
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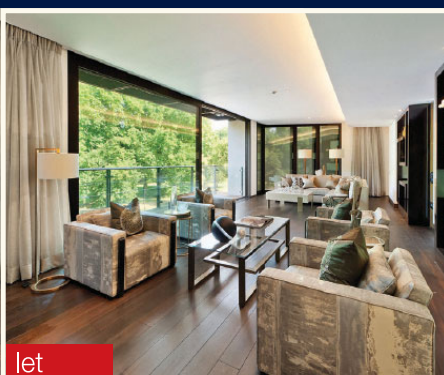
sold

Courtfield Gardens, SW5
Guide £4.85 million
Chelsea 020 7578 9000



sold

Hurlingham Gardens, SW6
Guide £2.95 million
Fulham 020 7731 9400



let

One Hyde Park, SW1
Guide £25,000 per week
Knightsbridge 020 7584 8585



let

Cranley Place, SW7
Guide £6,500 per week
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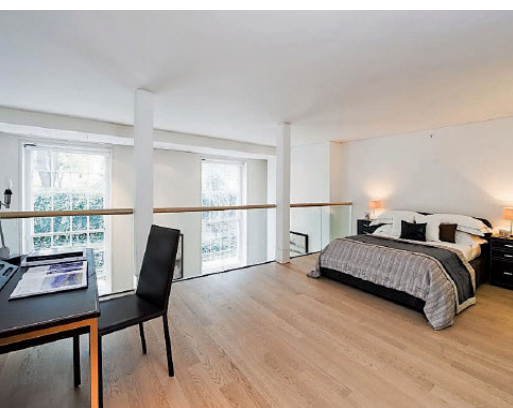


let

Vicarage Gardens, W8
Guide £3,950 per week
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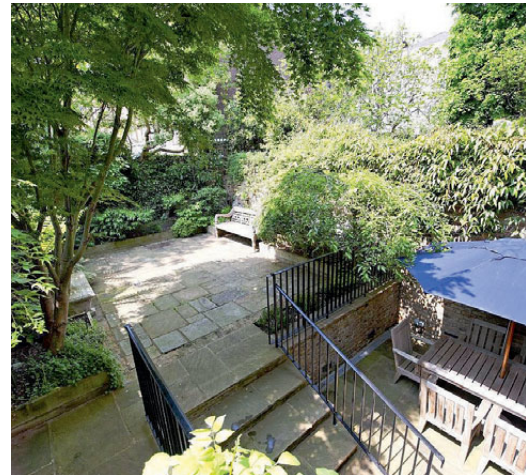
PORTERED PIED-A-TERRE WITH PARKING ACADEMY GARDENS, W8

Entrance hall ♦ kitchen ♦ bedroom with en suite bathroom ♦ 24hr concierge ♦ lift
♦ underground parking space ♦ communal gym and swimming pool
♦ 90 sq m (973 sq ft)



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BEAUTIFULLY PRESENTED FAMILY HOUSE WITH WEST-FACING GARDEN ARGYLL ROAD, W8

Entrance hall ♦ drawing room ♦ dining room ♦ family room ♦ study
♦ kitchen/breakfast room ♦ 5 bedrooms ♦ 4 bathrooms ♦ cloakroom
♦ utility room ♦ wine cellar ♦ west-facing garden ♦ 356 sq m (3,836 sq ft)



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KNIGHTSBRIDGE SW7



IMMACULATE KNIGHTSBRIDGE HOUSE WITH LIFT



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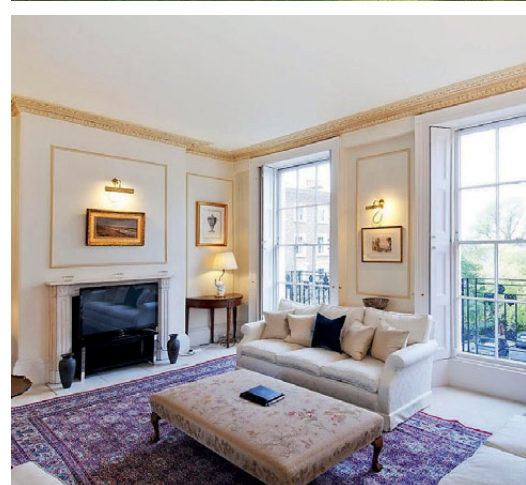
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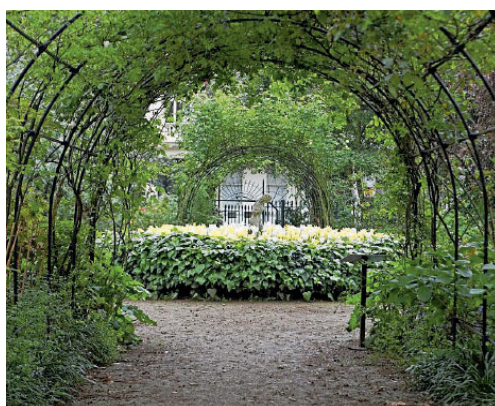
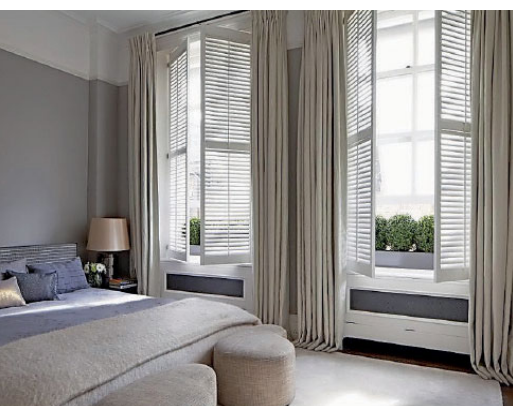
BEAUTIFUL FAMILY HOUSE WITH SOUTH-FACING GARDEN CAMPDEN HILL SQUARE, W8

First floor double reception room ♦ dining room ♦ sitting room ♦ study ♦ kitchen
♦ master bedroom with en suite bathroom ♦ 4 further bedrooms ♦ 3 further
bathrooms ♦ store room ♦ patio ♦ 60' south-facing garden ♦ access to communal
garden square ♦ 282 sq m (3,040 sq ft)



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Guide £5.95 million Freehold



AN IMPRESSIVE SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT WITH EXCELLENT VIEWS WARWICK SQUARE, SW1

Reception room ♦ dining room/library ♦ kitchen
♦ master bedroom ♦ further bedroom
♦ 2 bath/shower rooms ♦ lift ♦ underfloor heating
♦ air-conditioning ♦ 156 sq m (1,679 sq ft)



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WELL PRESENTED UPPER MAISONETTE WITH WONDERFUL TERRACE EGERTON GARDENS, SW3

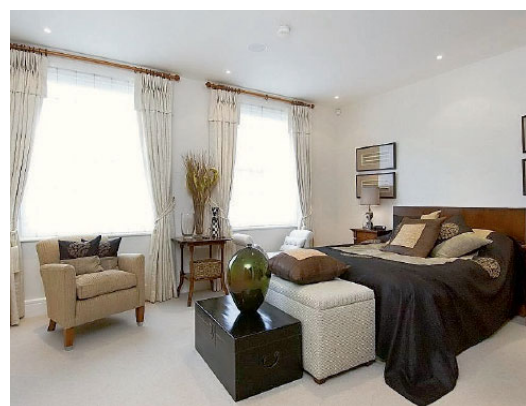
Reception room ♦ dining room ♦ kitchen
♦ master bedroom with en suite bathroom
♦ 2 further bedrooms (1 en suite) ♦ family bathroom
♦ roof terrace ♦ communal gardens
♦ 147 sq m (1,580 sq ft)



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Guide £3.65 million Leasehold, approximately 89 years remaining



STYLISH FAMILY TOWNHOUSE ARRANGED OVER FOUR FLOORS PEMBRIDGE VILLAS, W11

5 bedrooms ♦ double reception room ♦ music/dining room ♦ kitchen/breakfast room ♦ 4 bathrooms ♦ guest cloakroom ♦ utility room ♦ south-facing patio garden ♦ secure underground parking space ♦ 277 sq m (2,979 sq ft)



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Mount Street, W1

£3,950,000 Leasehold

What: A bright and well presented duplex situated on the fourth and fifth floors of a classic period Mount Street building.

Wow factor: The spacious reception has three windows overlooking Mount Street and there is a lift.

Extras: Entrance hall, 26'5 reception room, kitchen, master bedroom suite with dressing area and en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms (one with en-suite), and bathroom.

JSA David Turner, Savills, 020 7578 5100 & Rokstone, 020 7580 2030

Height of the matter

Savills present properties boasting wonderful space

Avenue Studios, SW3

£3,750,000 Leasehold

What: A spectacular Grade II-listed studio house with two double height studio rooms.

Wow factor: The current owner has implemented a complete refurbishment and interior design programme by Jonathan Reed of Studio Reed bringing the house to an exceptional level of finish.

Extras: Two double height studio rooms, two gallery bedrooms, two shower rooms, kitchen, and cellar.

Charlie Holbrook, Savills, 020 7730 0822



Melbury Road, W14

£7,500,000 Leasehold

What: A beautifully refurbished apartment, offering an incredible feeling of space.

Wow factor: The drawing room, which has extraordinarily tall windows and a clever design, incorporates double height volume as well as a normal ceiling height.

Extras: Entrance hall, drawing room, study, kitchen/dining room, master bedroom with bathroom and dressing room en-suite, three further bedrooms, shower room/steam room, and garden.

Thomas Holcroft, Savills, 020 7535 3300

Market Comment

Prime London house price growth slows but Savills stands by 2012 forecast for 3% growth



London's prime residential values rose by an average of 0.9% in the second quarter of 2012, and at 6% annual price growth was at

its lowest level since September 2009 as the heat came out of the market, according to new analysis from international real estate adviser, Savills.

Price growth in Prime Central London slowed to just 0.4% in the quarter in a sector that has outperformed the market since 2009. "It is now three years since the markets bottomed out and we've seen a period of intense activity and price growth, but it now seems unlikely that the market will have the capacity for further price growth in the short term," says Lucian Cook, director of Savills research. "Our forecasts assumed a pause in price growth in Prime Central London, and it now looks as if stamp duty changes could be the trigger for a period of static prices, but the longer term fundamentals for this market – constrained stock and global wealth generation – look sound."

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Imperial Wharf, Fulham SW6
£2,750,000

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Lettings Comment

Mark Howell,
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Lettings Manager

The lettings market is starting to become busier over the last month with more applicants registering. We are seeing a large selection of applicants coming forward with a range of budgets and therefore activity is growing all the time. In terms of rental prices, the last six months have seen a slight dip, but this is starting to reverse and we are positive that we have a good summer on the way. Our projection is that prices will grow by 1-2% for the rest of the year.



Caro Point, SW1W

£1,350 per week

What: A brand new three bedroom apartment to rent in Caro Point within the popular Grosvenor Waterside development in Pimlico.

Wow factor: The unique lateral apartment is situated on the second floor and has been finished to exacting standards throughout.

Extras: Open plan reception room, modern kitchen with integrated Miele appliances, three double bedrooms, two bathrooms, and a private balcony with views over the dock.

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Banking on it

Down by the River Thames with Knight Frank



Grosvenor Waterside, SW1W

£3,950,000

What: A stunning penthouse apartment in Grosvenor Waterside.

Wow factor: Features a fabulous roof terrace.

Extras: Three bedrooms, parking for two cars, 24 hour concierge and leisure facilities.

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Sales Comment

Matthew Smith,
Knight Frank
Riverside

More and more buyers want to live on the river.

It's the amazing views, central locations, on site

amenities and the pristine crispness of the floors and walls that do it. The Jubilee parties that so many of our clients held has resulted in an influx of friends wanting to buy similar apartments on the banks of the Thames.

We have also seen an increase in upsizing and downsizing of residents. It seems once you have lived in a riverside flat, it is very difficult to go back to traditional London living. People become accustomed to floor to ceiling windows, roof terraces and balconies, spacious lifts, excellent insulation, concrete floors and sound proofing and generally everything being new and in good working order. There is also something about having a concierge to handle your day time deliveries.

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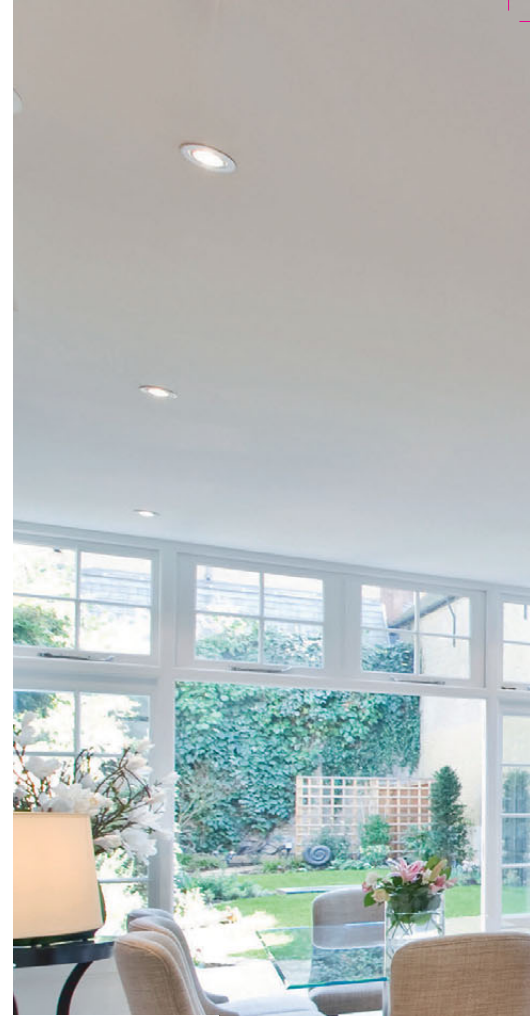


CHELSEA PARK GARDENS

CHELSEA SW3

It features a breathtaking studio room with a 4.5 metre ceiling height, cinema, gym, sauna, wine room and a 65ft south facing garden. It is quietly situated in the south western corner of Chelsea Park Gardens, which is widely regarded as one of Chelsea's most sought after addresses. Combining comfortable family accommodation along with state of the art technology, this house offers the most luxurious style of living.

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- Independent WI-FI network to all floors
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- Banham intruder alarm with CCTV cameras and automated video door entry system
- Temperature controlled wine room



This immaculate six bedroom family house is truly unique, extends to over 4,500 square feet and has been superbly refurbished to a very high standard by the current owner



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£11,250,000 Subject to Contract



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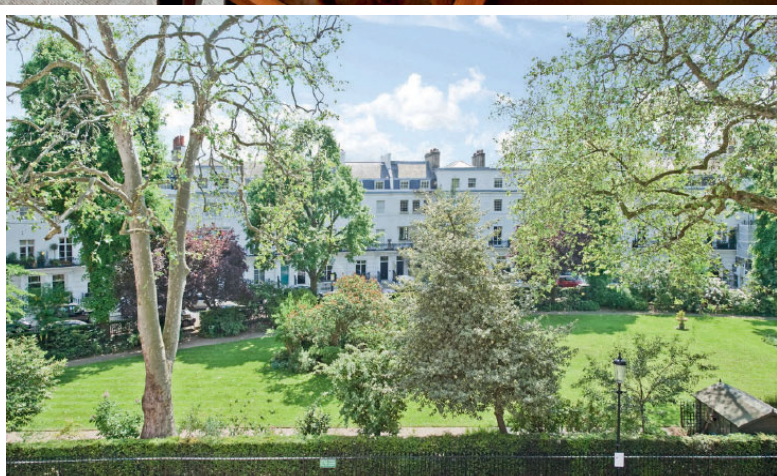
Superb two bedroom apartment

A magnificent two bedroom apartment with River Thames views. The property has been renovated to an extremely high standard combining two apartments and incorporating a large reception room and stunning separate kitchen. 2 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, reception room, kitchen, concierge, 1 parking space. Approximately 179 sq m (1,919 sq ft)

Share of freehold

Guide price: £4,250,000

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Egerton Gardens, Knightsbridge SW3

Elegant lateral apartment

An exquisite second floor apartment enjoying views over Egerton Crescent to the front and over communal gardens to the rear. Master bedroom suite, 2nd bedroom suite, kitchen/dining room, drawing room, study area, cloakroom, 2 balconies, communal gardens, direct lift access. Approximately 158 sq m (1,700 sq ft)

Share of freehold

Guide price: £6,950,000

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Bradbourne Street, Fulham SW6

Peterborough Estate

A superb mid-terrace house in one of the most sought after streets on the Peterborough Estate. Master bedroom with en suite bathroom, 5 further bedrooms, 2 additional bathrooms, 2 reception rooms, dining room, kitchen, utility room, guest wc, storage areas. Approximately 263 sq m (2,832 sq ft)

Freehold

Guide price: £2,695,000

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Tyrawley Road, Fulham SW6

Moore Park Estate

Situated in the highly desirable Moore Park Estate, this period property offers wonderful family accommodation. Master bedroom with en suite bath/shower room, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, double reception, study, kitchen/breakfast room, guest wc, garden. Approximately 198.2 sq m (2,133 sq ft)

Freehold

Guide price: £1,895,000

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Hans Place, Knightsbridge SW1

Garden square apartment

An immaculate apartment on a long lease situated on the first floor of this sought after portered building in the heart of Knightsbridge. Master bedroom, further double bedroom, bathroom, kitchen, reception room, balcony, porter/concierge, communal garden. Approximately 72 sq m (785 sq ft)

Leasehold: approximately 133 years remaining

Guide price: £1,950,000

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Egerton Gardens, Knightsbridge SW3

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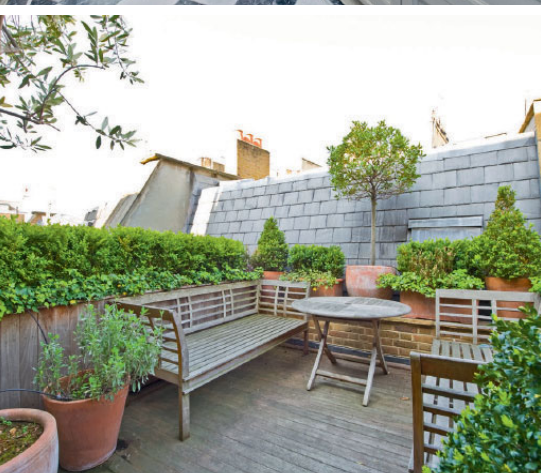
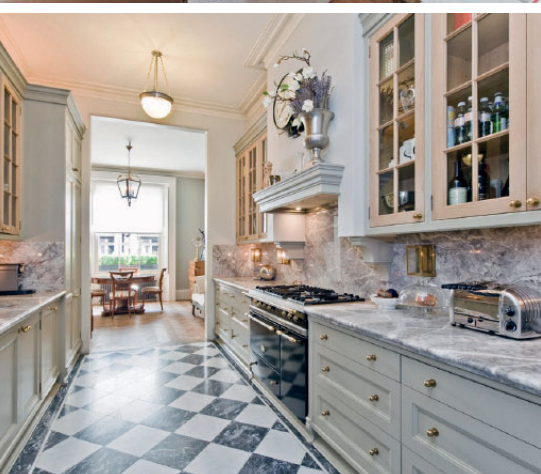
A superb raised ground floor apartment benefitting from direct access into Egerton Gardens. The flat provides high ceilings and period features throughout. 2 double bedrooms, family bathroom, kitchen, south facing reception room, porter/concierge, communal garden. Approximately 102 sq m (1,107 sq ft)

Leasehold: approximately 93 years remaining

Guide price: £2,100,000

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Ebury Street, Belgravia SW1

A meticulously refurbished five bedroom house

Situated in the heart of Belgravia, this property has been renovated to a high standard. Master bedroom suite with dressing room, 4 further bedrooms, 3 further bath/shower rooms, drawing room, dining room, kitchen, breakfast room, study, cloakroom, laundry, gym room, roof terrace. Approximately 305 sq m (3,283 sq ft)

Freehold

Guide price: £6,250,000

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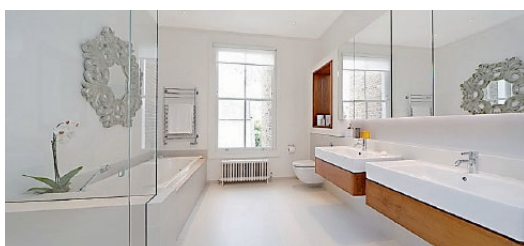
**St Georges Square,
SW1V £1,395,000**

What: A truly stunning apartment with magnificent high ceilings on a prestigious garden square in Pimlico.

Wow factor: Offers a unique layout that is rarely found in similar properties in the area.

Extras: Two bedrooms, two bathrooms, one reception room, and many original features.

*Marsh & Parsons
Pimlico & Westminster,
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**Scarsdale Villas, W8
£6,000,000**

What: This property has a modern and elegant feel and has been built to exacting standards.

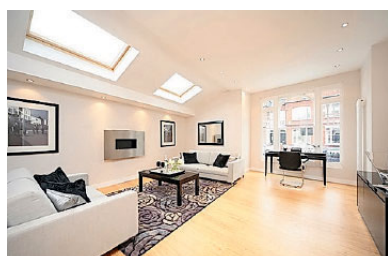
Wow factor: The ground floor has been immaculately opened up, with double doors leading onto the south-facing garden.

Extras: Five bedrooms, two bathrooms, and two reception rooms.

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**Bovingdon Road, SW6
£2,150,000**

What: This exceptional property has recently undergone a complete programme of refurbishment and is beautifully presented throughout.

Wow factor: On the ground floor is a glorious reception room with bamboo floorboards and an outstanding kitchen/dining room complete with Smeg appliances.

Extras: Large master bedroom with en-suite shower room, further bedroom with en-suite bathroom, three further bedrooms, additional reception room, and a utility room.

*Marsh & Parsons Fulham,
020 7736 9822*



**Holland Park, W11
£2,350,000**

What: This exceptional property offers secure, private space.

Wow factor: The reception space is arranged over the ground floor and includes an atrium that operates as a dining hall that leads onto a beautifully proportioned, grand drawing room.

Extras: Bedroom accommodation arranged on the first floor includes a master suite consisting of a large double bedroom with a fabulous en-suite bathroom, and a further double bedroom is served by an additional bathroom.

*Marsh & Parsons Holland Park,
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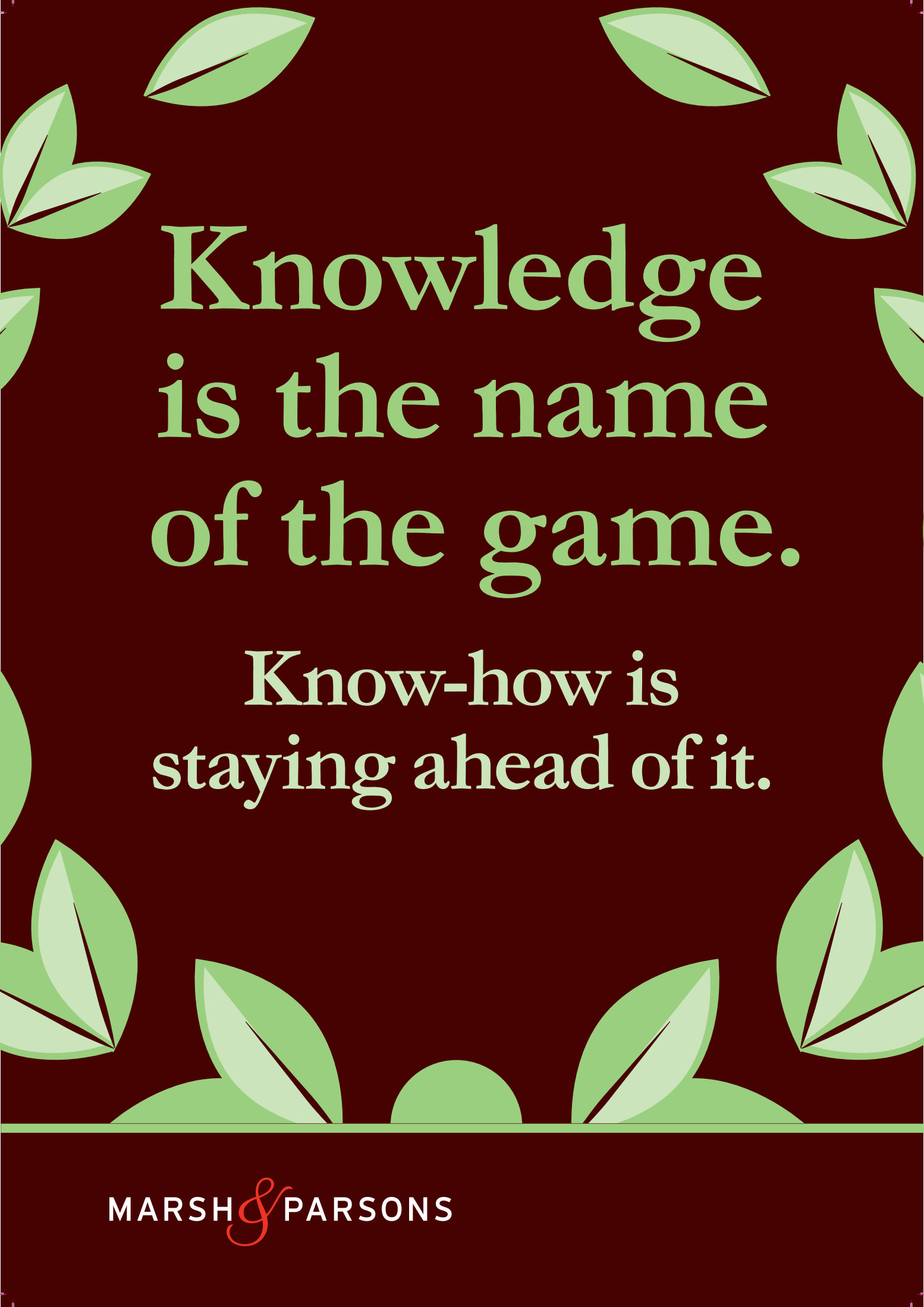
**St Georges Square, SW1V
£1,595,000**

What: An impressive Victorian period maisonette arranged over the upper floors of this imposing, white stucco fronted house.

Wow factor: The magnificent third floor reception room offers spacious open plan living with solid wood flooring throughout, high ceilings and a stunning contemporary kitchen/breakfast room.

Extras: Master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms, bathroom, study, and further guest bathroom.

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Cromwell Crescent SW5 £2,750,000

This charming townhouse comprises a large reception room, a second reception room with French doors leading out to a garden, a dining room, a contemporary kitchen, two principal double bedrooms (both en suite), two further bedrooms, a bathroom and private off street parking. Freehold.

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Denbigh Street SW1 £1,950,000

This beautiful period property comprises an open plan double reception room, a dining room, a separate kitchen, a conservatory leading out to the 19ft garden, an additional reception room, a fabulous master suite, two further bedrooms and a family bathroom. Freehold. **Sole Agents.**

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Hans Place SW1 £1,250,000

Located in a well maintained period building moments from Harrods, this smart apartment boasts a large reception room with a separate kitchen, a master suite with a dressing room and en suite shower room, a further double bedroom and a family bathroom. Leasehold. **Sole Agents.**

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Coleherne Road SW10 £1,150,000

This property superb apartment boasts a bright and spacious open plan kitchen/reception room, a south facing master suite with fitted wardrobes, a second bright double bedroom, a stylish fully fitted bathroom and a separate cloakroom. Leasehold. **Sole Agents.**

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Holland Park W11 £3,250,000

Having been subject to a comprehensive refurbishment programme, this superb property now provides grand interconnecting reception rooms, a fabulous master suite, a guest suite, a further bedroom and shower room. Located moments from the fantastic local amenities of Holland Park and Notting Hill. Share of Freehold. **Joint Sole Agents.**

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Carlisle Mansions SW1 £1,495 per week

Set within a period mansion block moments from Victoria station, this stunning property comprises an impressive double reception room, a large kitchen, three double bedrooms and three bathrooms. The property retains many of its original period features whilst offering all the conveniences of modern living space.

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Wetherby Mansions SW5 £875 per week

Ideally located on a quiet tree lined street in Earls Court, this stylish apartment is situated in a handsome period building on Earls Court Square. The striking accommodation boasts a vast south facing reception room, a separate eat-in kitchen, two large double bedrooms and a modern bathroom.

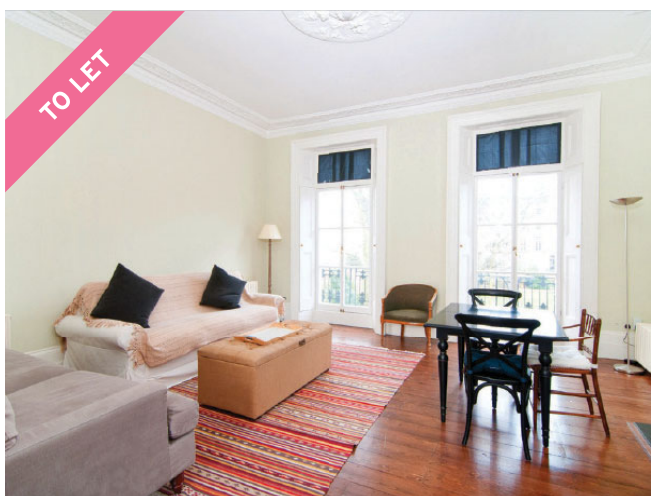
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Kings Road SW1 £795 per week

Recently refurbished and presented in immaculate condition throughout this apartment boasts a bright reception room, a separate fully fitted kitchen, a master bedroom with a modern en suite shower room, a second double bedroom, family bathroom, roof terrace and private gated parking.

CHELSEA: 020 7591 5570
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Norland Square W11 £625 per week

A stunning apartment with access to one of the most sought after garden squares in Holland Park. This fantastic, beautifully presented property comprises a lovely reception room with gloriously high ceilings, a fully equipped kitchen, a cloakroom and a split level bedroom with a bathroom.

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Kensington Mall W8 £425 per week

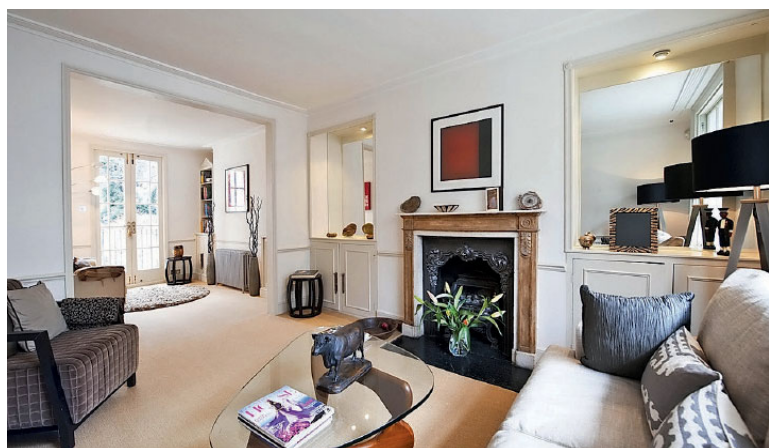
Close to the amenities of Notting Hill Gate and Kensington Church Street, this contemporary apartment is split over two floors and features an open plan kitchen/reception room, a large double bedroom and a modern shower room.

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PARK WALK, SW10

An astonishing and recently refurbished 5 bedroom Grade II listed house, extending to 2,686 sq ft, with an amazing 33ft x 14ft reception room.

Approx 2,686 sq ft / 250 sq m

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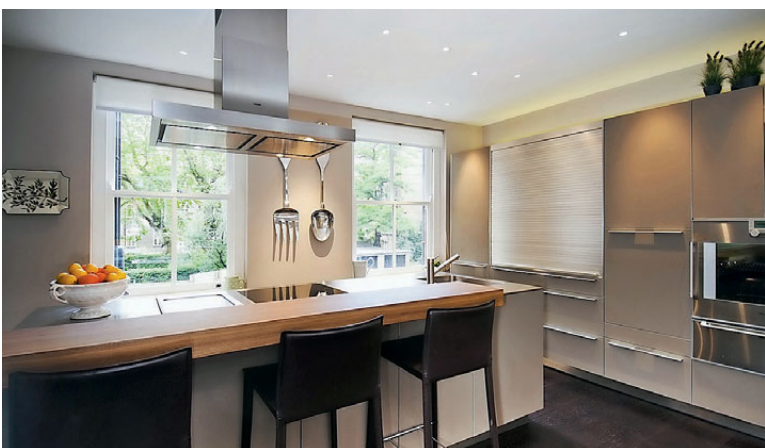
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An exceptional first floor lateral apartment extending to 2,675 square feet. Previously two separate flats adjoining one another, now seamlessly redesigned to create an indulgent and extraordinary lateral space.

2,675 sq ft / 248.51 sq m

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COLEHERNE COURT, SW5

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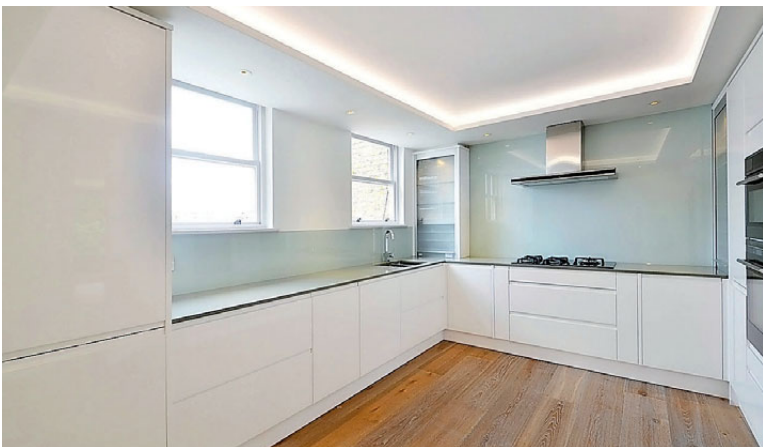
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LEXHAM GARDENS, W8

A state of the art duplex apartment with a fantastic roof top terrace overlooking the communal gardens. The apartment has been extensively renovated and now offers amazing contemporary accommodation with top of the range mood and lutron lighting throughout and stunning fixtures and fittings including electric blinds and shutters and underfloor heating. The large reception has limed oak wood flooring with floor to ceiling sliding doors leading out to a decked balcony and the master bedroom suite has a walk-in wardrobe and large ensuite bathroom with superb storage.

TWO BEDROOMS • TWO BATHROOMS • TWO RECEPTION ROOMS • ROOF TERRACE • DECKED BALCONY • COMMUNAL GARDENS

FURNISHED

£2,200
per week

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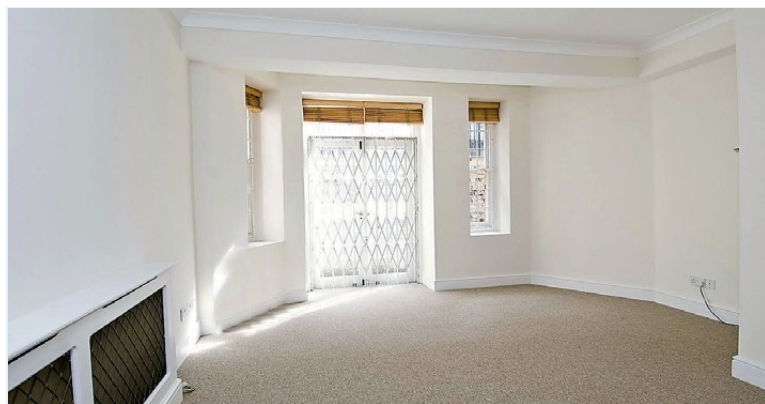


HARCOURT TERRACE, SW10

This classic 1 bedroom property benefits from a good sized L shaped balcony, and a private south west facing roof terrace. 535 sq ft / 49.7 sq m

£945,000

Share of Freehold



DRAYTON GARDENS, SW10

This 2 bedroom flat is situated on the lower ground floor of this very well run, period Victorian Mansion block. 721 sq ft / 66.98 sq m

£725,000

Share of Freehold

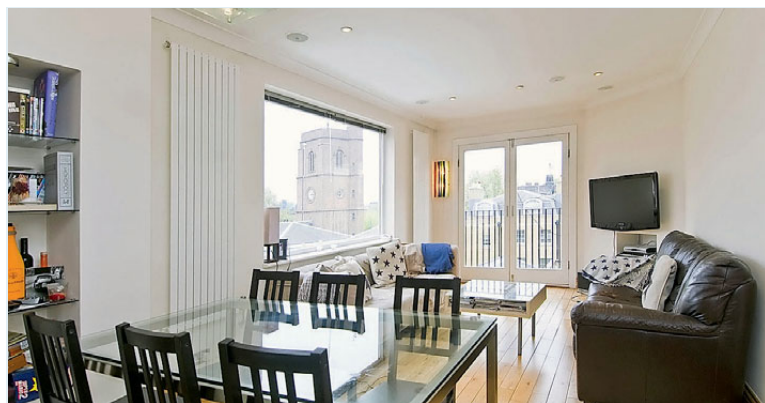


PARK WALK, SW10

An immaculate 2/3 bedroom flat, refurbished throughout to an exacting standard, on a long lease. 1,096 sq ft / 102 sq m

£1,675,000

Leasehold

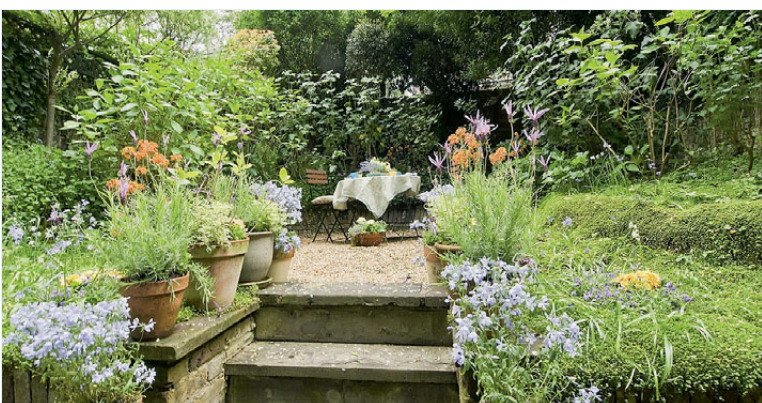


LAWRENCE STREET, SW3

This flat has recently been refurbished, and benefits from 3 double bedrooms and a large open plan kitchen/reception room. 1,013 sq ft / 94.11 sq m

£1,325,000

Leasehold



HARCOURT TERRACE, SW10

A most appealing 1 bedroom garden flat, which benefits from all the principle rooms having a garden aspect. 783 sq ft / 72.74 sq m

£750,000

Share of Freehold



IFIELD ROAD, SW10

An unmodernised house currently split into two separate dwellings, being sold with the benefit of the freehold. 2,068 sq ft / 192 sq m

£1,975,000

Freehold

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REDCLIFFE ROAD, SW10

This is a very appealing and unusual 2 bedroom upper maisonette, with a stunning private roof terrace.
975 sq ft / 90.58 sq m

£1,695,000

**Share of
Freehold**



WESTGATE TERRACE, SW10

An immaculate 2 double bedroom second floor flat in a mid terraced building, at the southern end of Westgate Terrace.
754 sq ft / 70 sq m

£795,000

Leasehold



REDCLIFFE SQUARE, SW10

A stunning and totally uncompromised 2 double bedroom flat, situated on the raised ground floor of this period building.
968 sq ft / 89.9 sq m

£1,700,000

**Share of
Freehold**



IFIELD ROAD, SW10

This large 3 bedroom upper maisonette enjoys a charming terrace, with pleasant westerly views.
957 sq ft / 88.91 sq m

£975,000

**Share of
Freehold**



BILLING STREET, SW10

A charming 2 double bedroom period cottage arranged over three floors, with a very pretty terrace.
1,195 sq ft / 111 sq m

£1,399,995

Freehold



BEAUFORT STREET, SW3

A beautifully presented 2 double bedroom flat entered via its' own street entrance, at lower ground floor level.
823 sq ft / 76.46 sq m

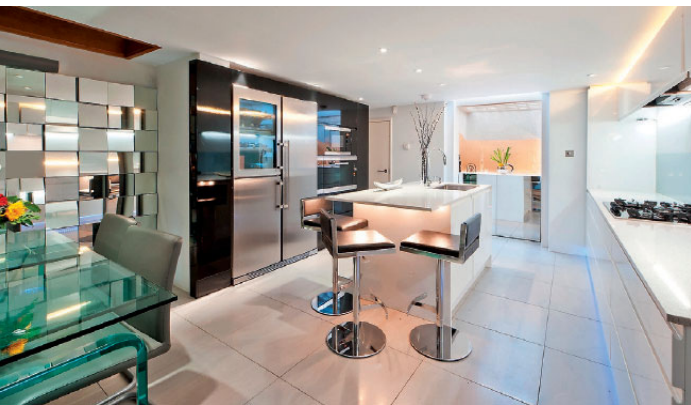
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Rutland Street, Knightsbridge SW7

1256 sq ft / 116.6 sq m

A pretty house close to Hyde Park and Knightsbridge shops and restaurants, meticulously refurbished in contemporary style

- Reception room • Study • Kitchen dining room • 3 Bedrooms • Bathroom
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£2,450,000 Freehold



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Thurloe Square, Knightsbridge SW7

4887 sq ft / 454 sq m

A substantial house with generous, well planned and flexible accommodation with its own private garden.

- Large receiving entrance hall • Drawing room • Dining room • Conservatory
- Kitchen breakfast room • Master bedroom with ensuite bathroom • 5 further bedrooms
- 5 further bathrooms • 3 cloakrooms • Utility room • Lift • Garden • Use of garden square

£5,900 per week Unfurnished





Kensington...

Despite the challenges faced by the wider UK property market and the continuing economic uncertainties, demand for properties in Prime Central London locations remains strong. As a result, average property prices are on the up, with the borough of Kensington and Chelsea leading the way and reporting an average house price of just over £2million in July 2012*.

In the last two months, both of our Kensington offices have experienced a significant rise in the number of enquiries for two and three bedrooms apartments and houses, but also a rise in the number of these sorts of properties coming onto the market.

My advice to buyers is that they need to be in a position to act fast when they find the right property as the chances are they will not be the only interested party. In turn, sellers aiming for quick results need to be realistic in terms of price and presentation, although demand is still outstripping supply; buyers continue to be very particular about quality and very sensitive to pricing. (*according to Rightmove's house price index July edition)

Rex Chalmers, Chesterton Humberts, 020 7937 7244

Chelsea...

The Olympic Torch has arrived and so have thousands upon thousands of sport loving fans from across the globe. The capital is the focus of the world for three weeks and we are expecting a surge in property related enquiries as a result. The short let arm has gone ballistic and we have also noticed a significant boost in sales enquiries. Anything to do with the Olympics? We think so. This is normally a quiet period as schools break up and families disappear to different corners of the world for the summer months. Not this year – we are extremely busy and achieving some great results. Will it continue through August? I'll let you know next month.

Ben Osbourne, Farrar & Co, 020 7244 4444



FOUR SIGHT

The Resident's experts offer their area analysis once again

Mayfair...

July is turning out to be surprisingly busy after a very quiet June when our usual contingent of Middle Eastern clients failed to arrive in their usual numbers. Fortunately for us, this year they have been replaced by many other nationalities. Despite all the economic woes, London is still seen as the safest place to invest your capital and buy property. From our offices in Park Lane we are enjoying the carnival atmosphere and currently listening to Madonna rehearsing her concert. As a local resident, at least she doesn't have far to commute.

Julian Lilley, Fine & Country, 020 7079 1523



Pimlico...

Well, the Olympics are finally upon us and we eagerly wait to see what effect they will have on the late summer market. With huge numbers of visitors expected (and Victoria being a central transport link) we may just find an increase in international buyers who can't resist snapping up some fine Central London property. There are certainly some exciting opportunities available at all price levels, from an award winning interior designed house to a charming one bedroom garden flat. Stock levels appear to be on the increase and with the added promise of finally seeing some summer weather it could be a busier August than we are used to!

Alexander Leschallas, Douglas & Gordon, 020 7931 8200

All eyes on...

Reasons why overseas buyers are flocking to Prime Central London



St James's Place, SW1

£8,750,000

What: Situated in one of the finest locations in London is this stunning and extremely rare four bedroom flat.

Wow factor: Boasts incredible views over Green Park towards Buckingham Palace and superbly proportioned rooms.

Extras: Master bedroom with en-suite dressing room and bathroom, three further bedrooms (one en-suite), shower room, kitchen/breakfast room, double reception room, two basement storage rooms, and secure private parking.

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Egerton Gardens, SW3

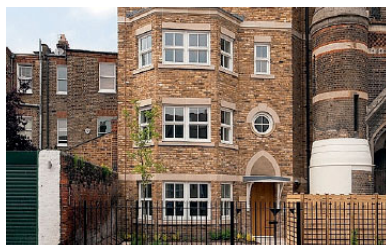
£2,595,000 Leasehold

What: An exceptional apartment entered through its own front door with a fabulous 25ft drawing room and a private garden.

Wow factor: Egerton Gardens is a highly sought after address quietly positioned moments away from the amenities of Knightsbridge, Harrods and South Kensington.

Extras: Refurbished to a very high standard, two en-suite bedrooms, and resident caretaker.

Cluttons, 020 7584 1771



Jubilee Mansions, W14

£3,950,000 Freehold

What: An exciting new development of ten apartments in the heart of West Kensington, moments from Queens Club.

Wow factor: A lift services all floors and the apartments benefit from underfloor heating, fully integrated kitchens and half have their own balcony or terrace.

Extras: The building comprises a selection of studio, one and two bedroom apartments over five floors.

Cluttons, 020 7584 1771



Market Comment

Charlie Noel Buxton &
Toby Whittome

Chelsea continues to be top of the list for international househunters who view it as a safe haven for their cash as global economic uncertainty continues. Three quarters of our current buyers are from overseas, with particular interest from French, Italian and Chinese nationals who want to be close to either the Lycee in South Kensington or Imperial College London.

While demand for Chelsea's more expensive rental properties is on the up, there has been a slight dip in price at the lower to mid end of the market recently. This has prompted a surge in activity, with registrations doubling in one week. While family houses are still sought after, apartments continue to make up 83% of current rental stock.

The rental market in Belgravia is focused on quality with renters competing for properties on the best roads with the most convenient transport links. Apartments that are well finished with high quality kitchens and bathrooms are being let extremely quickly.



Bourne Street, SW1

£3,000,000

What: A beautiful and extremely light end of terrace double-fronted townhouse benefitting from a number of dual-aspect rooms, located in a highly desirable area.

Wow factor: The superb 26ft first floor drawing room.

Extras: Kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, drawing room, superb master bedroom, three further bedrooms, two bathrooms, and three vaults.

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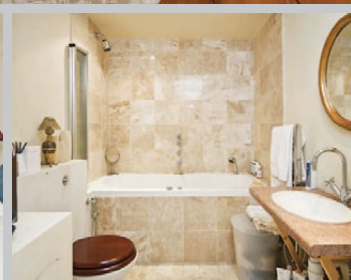


Old Brompton Road, SW5

A beautiful two bedroom flat with a large private roof terrace and stunning views in Earls Court

£849,950

Share of freehold



- Two bedroom
- 20' x 18' reception
- Separate kitchen
- Private roof terrace
- Period conversion
- Earls Court underground



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Nevern Mansions, SW5

Two double bedroom flat with a large roof terrace and access to communal gardens in Earls Court

£825,000

Share of freehold



- Bedrooms with storage
- Limestone bathroom
- Fourth floor, with lift
- Semi open plan kitchen
- Large roof terrace
- Earls Court uUnderground

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Philbeach Gardens, SW5

One bedroom flat on communal garden square in Earls Court

£775,000

Leasehold



- Two bedroom
- South facing reception
- Open plan kitchen
- High ceilings
- Private garden
- Earls Court underground

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Cromwell Road, SW5

A spacious two bedroom flat in a period conversion with wonderful high ceilings in Kensington

£899,950

Share of freehold



- Two double bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- 24 x 17 reception with high ceilings
- Parquet flooring
- Separate kitchen
- Earls Court underground

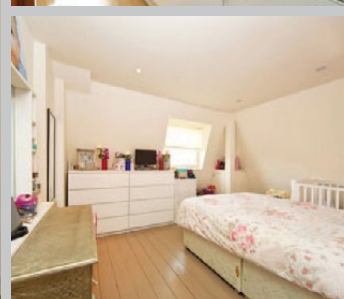
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Fulham Palace Road, SW6

Recently converted and modernised two double bedroom duplex flat near Bishops Park in Fulham

£500,000

Leasehold



- Two bedrooms
- Spacious living room
- Modern kitchen
- Over two floors
- Period features
- Hammersmith underground

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Philbeach Gardens, SW5

A beautifully refurbished two bedroom, two bathroom flat with private terrace in Earls Court



£799,950 Share of freehold

- Two double bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Open plan reception
- Recently refurbished
- Private patio
- Earls Court underground

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Parsons Green Lane, SW6

A spacious two double bedroom house with a private garden close to Parson Green



£649,950 Freehold

- Two double bedrooms
- Modern kitchen
- Private garden
- Open fire place
- Off street parking
- Parsons Green underground

Fulham sales 020 7731 5115

Fulham Palace Road, SW6

A superb two bedroom flat in Earls Court with direct views across the garden square



£435,000 Leasehold

- Two double bedrooms
- First floor
- Excellent condition
- Separate kitchen
- Period conversion
- Hammersmith underground

Fulham sales 020 7731 5115

Latymer Court, SW6

One bedroom flat within a prestigious portered purpose built block in Hammersmith



£289,950 Leasehold

- Double bedroom with good storage
- Light and bright Living room
- Separate modern kitchen
- Bathroom with walk in shower
- Sixth floor
- Hammersmith underground

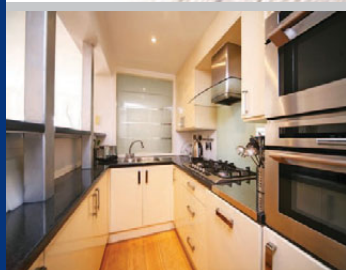
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Penywern Road, SW5

A refurbished three bedroom flat with a private entrance and a private paved garden in Earls Court

£775 p/w
Furnished



- Three bedrooms
- Spacious living room
- Two bathrooms
- Victorian conversion
- Paved garden
- Earls Court underground



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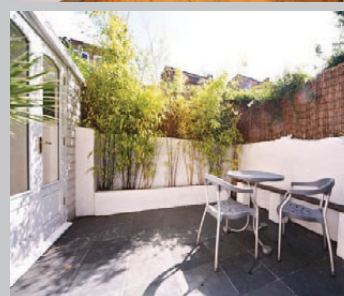
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Fernshaw Road, SW10

Three double bedroom house with a private garden and terrace in Chelsea

£1,350 p/w
Unfurnished



- Conservatory
- Two bathrooms
- Separate kitchen
- Living room with wood floors
- Arranged over three floors
- Earls Court underground

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Musgrave Crescent, SW6

Three double bedroom house with a private garden in Fulham Broadway

£1,000 p/w
Unfurnished/part furnished



- Three double bedrooms
- Double reception with wood floors
- Separate kitchen
- Private garden
- Split over three floors
- Fulham Broadway underground

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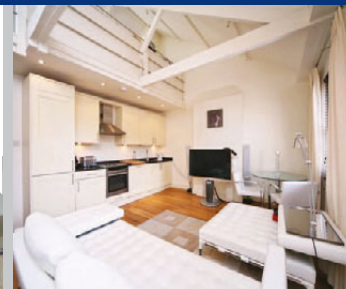
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Old Brompton Road, SW5
Spacious one double bedroom flat in
South Kensington

£550 p/w
Part furnished



- One double bedroom
- Wood floors
- Bedroom with fitted wardrobes
- Second sleeping area
- Second floor of conversion
- Gloucester Road underground

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Wetherby Place, SW7
A contemporary raised ground floor one
bedroom flat in South Kensington

£520 p/w
Furnished



- One bedroom
- Large living room with wood floors
- Semi open plan kitchen
- Stylish bathroom
- Raised ground floor
- Gloucester Road underground

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Imperial Crescent, SW6

Three double bedroom, three bathroom apartment in a riverside development in Fulham



£1,100 p/w Furnished

- Three bedrooms
- Semi open plan kitchen
- Private balcony

- First floor with lift access
- Underground parking at additional cost
- Fulham Broadway underground

Fulham lettings 020 7384 1400

Racton Road, SW6

Spacious four double bedroom house with a private paved garden in Fulham



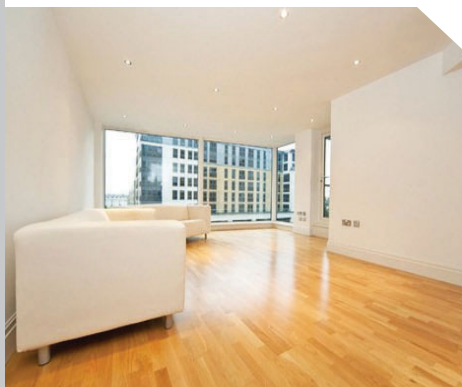
£995 p/w Unfurnished/part furnished

- Four double bedrooms
- Separate kitchen and dining area
- Double reception with old wood floors
- Split over three floors
- Private paved garden
- Fulham Broadway underground

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Imperial Wharf, SW6

Refurbished two double bedroom apartment in a riverside development in Fulham



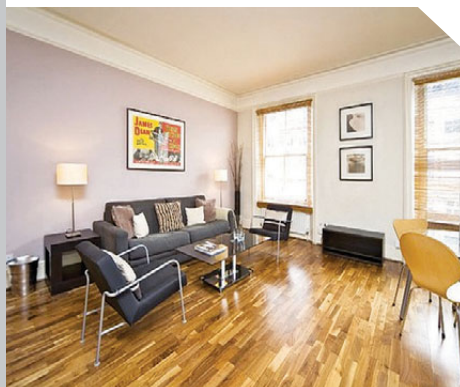
£575 p/w Furnished/unfurnished

- Two double bedrooms
- Separate kitchen with modern appliances
- Third floor with lift access
- Two bathrooms
- Private balcony
- Imperial Wharf station

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Collingham Place, SW5

A contemporary one double bedroom flat close to Gloucester Road



£495 p/w Furnished

- One double bedroom
- Spacious living room
- Semi open plan kitchen
- Bathroom with power shower over bath
- Second floor
- Gloucester Road underground

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Cornwall Gardens, SW7

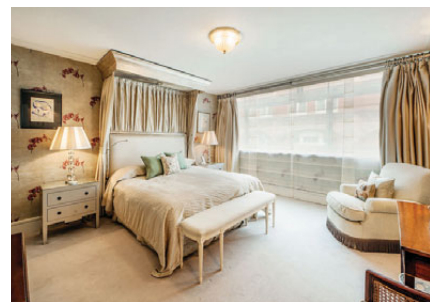
One bedroom flat on a communal garden square in South Kensington



£470 p/w Furnished

- One double bedroom
- Semi open plan kitchen
- Wood floor and neutral décor
- Private patio accessed from the living room
- Access to communal gardens
- Gloucester Road underground

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St. James's Place SW1A

Situated in one of the finest locations in London this stunning flat boasts stunning panoramic views over Green Park towards Buckingham Palace, and superbly proportioned rooms

reception room | main bedroom (en suite) with dressing room | 3 further bedrooms (1 en suite) | 2 further bathrooms | kitchen/breakfast room | store room | porter | lift | south-west facing communal garden

Price on application. Share of freehold



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Egerton Gardens SW3

An exceptional two bedroom apartment entered through it's own street entrance with a fabulous 25 ft drawing room and a private garden with summer house. Egerton Gardens is a highly sought after address quietly positioned moments away from the amenities of Knightsbridge, Harrods and South Kensington

entrance hall | drawing room | 2 bedrooms (en suite) | kitchen | on-site caretaker | garden



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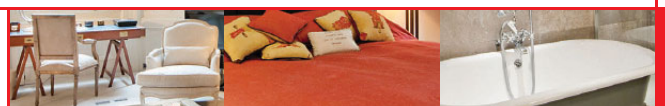


Sloane Gardens SW1W

A beautifully presented and elegantly proportioned flat in the heart of Chelsea, perfectly located to enjoy all the desirable shops, restaurants and other amenities that the area has to offer. The property benefits from amazing views along this impressive tree lined street and access to the lovely communal gardens

reception room | 2 double bedrooms | 2 bathrooms | kitchen | resident caretaker | communal gardens

£1,200 per week furnished



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Onslow Gardens SW7

This beautiful stucco fronted period conversion is tastefully furnished in a traditional style and offers great accommodation with a super reception room with doors leading to the balcony. Onslow Gardens is located close to the restaurants, shops and transport facilities of South Kensington

entrance hall | reception room | 2 bedrooms (1 en suite) | 1 further bathroom | kitchen | lift | 2 balconies

£1,200 per week furnished



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EBURY MEWS EAST, SW1

Super spacious and well presented three storey mews house. 2 reception rooms, dining room, kitchen, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, 2 double bedrooms, family bathroom, utility/cloakroom, terrace, garage. Private mews parking.

£1,900 per week Unfurnished

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PRINCE'S GATE MEWS, SW7

An extremely bright and neutrally decorated three storey mews house in South Kensington. Reception room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, 3 en-suite bathrooms, large balcony, study, cloakroom, garage.

£1,600 per week Un/Part/Furnished

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CANNING PLACE, W8

The quintessential pad for the successful businessman (or woman!) with a desirable London postcode. Reception room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, 2 en-suite bathroom (1 with shower room), study, cloakroom, private courtyard.

£1,475 per week Un/Furnished

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HOLLAND PARK MEWS, W11

A spacious and perfectly formed Grade II listed house refurbished to a very high standard. Reception room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms (1 en-suite jacuzzi), shower room, garage, balcony.

£1,350 per week Un/Furnished

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HYDE PARK GARDENS MEWS, W2

Words fail to describe the unbelievable attention to detail that has been applied in the refurbishment of this house.

Reception, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, media room, gym, utility room, garage, roof terrace.

Freehold £3,550,000 STC

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HESPER MEWS, SW7

An exceptionally stylish house with very well proportioned rooms throughout offering contemporary style.

Reception room, kitchen/dining area, 2 bedrooms, en-suite bathroom, shower room, roof terrace, garage.

Freehold £2,350,000 STC

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RADNOR MEWS, W2

A stunning four bedroom mews house which has recently undergone extensive refurbishment.

Reception room, kitchen, bedroom with dressing area and en-suite bathroom, 3 further bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, study.

Freehold £2,750,000 STC

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CORNWALL MEWS SOUTH, SW7

A stunning three floor mews house in this charming South Kensington Mews.

Reception room, dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms each with en suite shower or bathroom, cloakroom, utility room, roof terrace.

Freehold £2,350,000 STC

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The Fulham Lettings Directory

Strutt & Parker

Head of Lettings: Georgina Cartwright

Head of Sales: Ivor Campbell-Davys

Company Profile: A privately owned company with an excellent reputation for lettings, sales and commercial property nationwide.

Typical Property: From well-presented studio flats to large family houses. All clients are treated with equal enthusiasm.

Tips to Tenant: Take advice on how to make your offer the most attractive one to the Landlord and be in a position to act quickly.

Tips to Landlord: First impressions really do count. Properties should be clean and presented in good order, with neutral décor. The quality of Tenant can be just as important as the rental level achieved.

Market Comment: We anticipate a busy late summer market this year when tenants will refocus their attention on their rental search following summer holidays and the events in London.

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John D Wood & Co

Head of lettings: Rebecca Beckett

Head of sales: Tom de Winton

Company profile: A well-established

high profile agent covering London and the Home Counties, with a reputation for personal and professional service and an experienced team.

Typical property: Family houses ranging from £800 – £2,000pw and good quality flats in Parsons Green, Bishops Park, Munster Village and the Hurlingham Club area.

Tips to tenant: Rental offers can be made more attractive if you commit to a longer tenancy, an early start date and in some instances, offer to pay in larger instalments. Ask your referees to respond quickly.

Tips to landlord: A clean property always presents better. The outside is also important; a freshly painted front door gives a super impression.

Market comment: Due to the late Easter, we are seeing a busier than usual July and August. Excellent schools in Fulham mean there is a strong demand for family houses near to the three underground stations.

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Knight Frank

Head of lettings: Nicola Miller

Head of sales: Anne Soutry

Company profile: Knight Frank is the world's largest privately owned global property agency, with the highest standards of quality and integrity.

Typical property:

Good quality one bedroom flats to larger family homes.

Tips to tenant: Offer the longest commitment you can to help secure an offer. At this time of year most Landlords will look for a minimum of 12 months.

Tips to landlord: Ensure the property is presented in the best possible light at all times, a fresh coat of paint will work wonders and be flexible with tenants requests.

Market comment: We have noticed a stronger start to this summer than the previous year, however with events in London from now until September we cannot predict how the market will fair.

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Savills

Head of lettings: Sophie Curtis

Head of sales: Emma Stead

Company profile: International property consultants committed to offering clients outstanding service.

Typical property: Family houses in the Peterborough Estate to smart one-bedroom flats.

Tips to tenant: Act quickly and submit the best offer to avoid disappointment.

Tips to landlord: Be realistic on pricing and present well. Ensure you have all necessary consents in place before marketing your property, such as an energy performance certificate and mortgage consent.

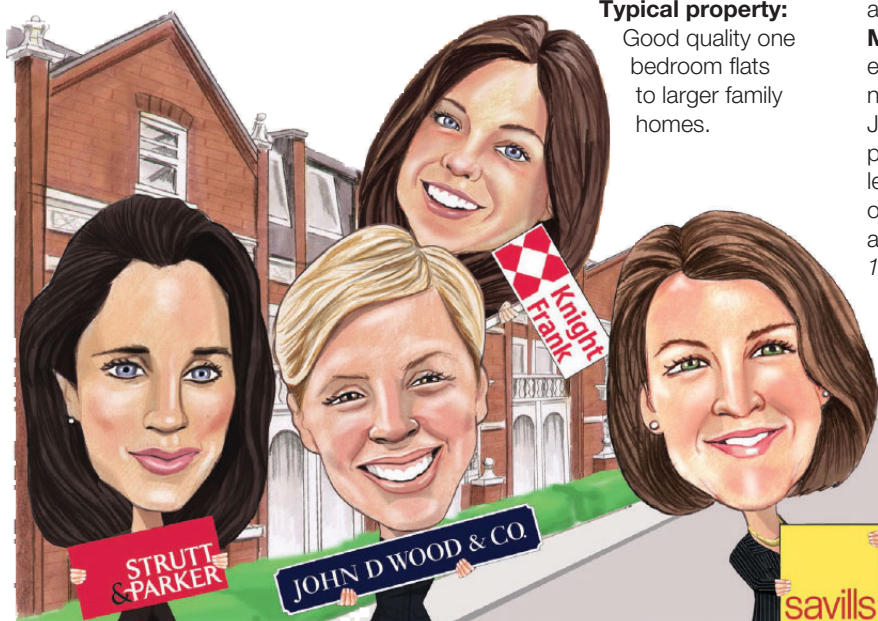
Market comment: We have experienced an increase in the number of tenancies ending since June, resulting in some good quality properties coming back onto the lettings market, which has boosted our register and ensured we've had another busy summer.

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Douglas & Gordon

Head of lettings: Ella Newhouse

Head of sales: Emma Hanks

Company profile: Established in 1958, Douglas and Gordon knows what makes its business tick.

Typical property: Anything from a one-bedroom garden flat in the heart of Fulham to large family houses in the Peterborough Estate

Tips to tenant: If you see something you like be willing to compromise on the little things

Tips to landlord: If you present your property well and market it at the right price you will let it well to a good tenant. You want to make your property more attractive to tenants than a similar one down the road.

Market comment: It's a great time to let your property in the busy summer months, with lots of applicants coming to London. There is more property available that earlier in the year meaning a much more competitive market.

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Marsh & Parsons

Head of lettings: Sylvie Bahmanyar

Head of sales: Alex Lyle

Company profile: An established, forward-thinking agency with 16 offices covering central, south-west and north-west London, offering a blend of traditional service, innovative marketing and a modern attitude.

Typical property: All types of property including pied-a-terres and studios for corporate tenants, new build developments and up to five bedroom period conversions that cater for sharers, professionals and families. property, move as fast as lightening to secure it.

Tips to tenant: It's the peak season for renters, so upon finding a suitable property, move as fast as lightening to secure it.

Tips to landlord: It's important to be flexible. Offer your property on a furnished

or unfurnished basis and it will automatically appeal to all applicants.

Market comment: There is plenty of property available in the lettings market at the moment. Generally property is renting rapidly if the agent has valued it accurately.

Professional sharers and couples searching for flats, and families looking to secure houses in sought after areas and close to good schools.

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Bushells

Head of lettings: Angela Davey

Head of sales: Mathew Goss

Company profile: Having been established over 70 years, Bushells has one of the most respected reputations within the industry.

Typical property: All properties ranging from one-bedroom flats to sixbedroom houses. Each and every property is given an equal urgency to be let to suitable and professional tenants.

Tips to tenant: Establish what's important to you with regards to your property search and try to keep this in perspective. Furnish your agent with as much information as possible about what you want, even little things tell us a lot.

Tips to landlord: Presentation is everything. Be sure to keep your property in tip top condition in order to attract good tenants. Remove any outdated or damaged furniture and a touch-up of paintwork between tenancies always does wonders.

Market comment: Bushells offers sound advice to landlords to place them in a strong position to achieve the best possible

rental. A shortage of available properties and a high demand from prospective tenants

has increased rentals prices and turnaround

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Chesterton Humberts

Head of lettings: Helen Carney

Head of sales: Robert Sturges

Company profile: With a network of over 70 offices across the world, including 25 in London, Chesterton Humberts is one of the UK's leading estate agents.

Typical property: Studio flats for first time tenants to family houses for corporate tenants

Tips to tenant: Properties are continuing to go fast so it is imperative that tenants make their decisions promptly and ensure they are putting their best offer forward.

Tips to landlord: Presentation and price are the key drivers in the market, so landlords should ensure their property is appealing to the wider market.

Market comment: The lettings market continues to remain buoyant with demand outstripping supply. There is an increase in corporate tenants relocating from other parts of London and overseas.

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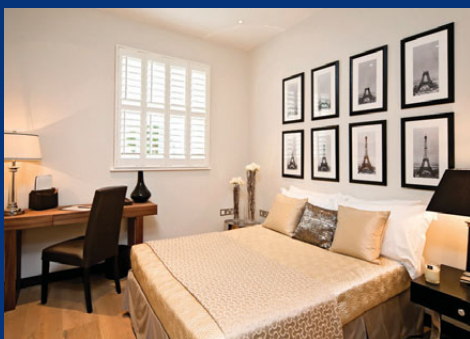
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Onslow Mews West, SW7

£7,650,000

A fabulous three bedroom, three reception room freehold house designed to an exceptionally high standard with amazing ceiling heights, a luxurious kitchen and bathrooms, and an integral garage.

- Freehold
- Three bedrooms

- Very high ceilings
- Custom made kitchen

- Air-conditioning
- Luxurious finish

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Princes Gate, SW7

£6,000,000

A magnificent four double bedroom apartment with a roof terrace, large windows and a high ceiling on the first floor of an attractive Victorian building close to Hyde Park.

- Four bedrooms
- Three bathrooms
- Large windows
- Roof terrace
- Close to Hyde Park
- Close to underground



Cadogan Lane, SW1

£1,100 pw

A spacious and delightful two storey two bedroom mews house beautifully refurbished and offering excellent storage; the house is quietly situated just off Sloane Street.

- Two bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Wood floors
- Double reception room
- Refurbished to a high specification
- Sloane Square underground



Christchurch Street, SW3

£595 pw

A bright second floor conversion flat offering well laid out accommodation, lovely Chelsea views and situated on a quiet, desirable street close to Kings Road.

- Two bedrooms
- Separate kitchen
- Shower room
- Newly refurbished
- Wonderful outlook
- Sloane Square underground



BELGRAVE MEWS NORTH, BELGRAVIA, SW1

Discreetly hidden between Belgrave Square and Wilton Crescent, Belgrave Mews North is one of the most sought after addresses in Belgravia. This elegant home is perfectly located to benefit from the local amenities of Knightsbridge and the facilities of Hyde Park.

This exceptional and unusually wide property extends to some 50ft and is ideal for entertaining on a grand scale.





Accommodation: Entrance hall, 2 interconnecting reception rooms, study, playroom, kitchen/dining room, utility room, master bedroom with en suite bathroom and superb dressing room, guest bedroom with bathroom en suite, bedroom three with shower room en suite and terrace, bedroom four and shower room.

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- Approx 500 sq ft

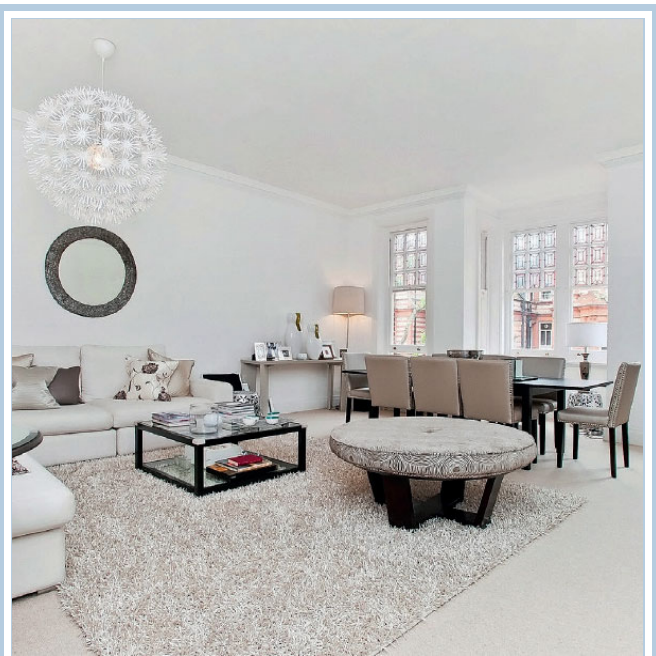
£575pw



Tetcott Road, Chelsea

- Immaculate Throughout
- 2 Bedroom House
- Furnished
- Approx 1100 sq ft

£1,750pw



Sloane Gardens, Chelsea

- Contemporary Apartment
- 3 Bedrooms
- Large Reception Room
- Approx 1500 sq ft

£1,650pw



ALEXANDER PLACE, SW3

Charming period house (2053 sq ft), quietly situated between South Kensington and Knightsbridge in a sought after street.
3 Bedrooms, 3 Bathrooms, Cloakroom, Reception Room, Study/bedroom 4, Kitchen Open Plan Dining Room, Garden.

UNFURNISHED

£2300 PER WEEK



CRANLEY GARDENS, SW7

Delightful 3rd floor flat (with lift) and lovely views.
2 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, Reception Room, Kitchen, Lift, Communal Gardens.

FURNISHED

£750 PER WEEK



RUTLAND GARDENS, SW7

Outstanding 2nd floor flat with exceptional entertaining space (2402 sq ft) and excellent security.

3 Bedrooms, 3 Bathrooms, 3 Reception Rooms, Eat-in Kitchen, Lift, 24 Hour Porter, 2 Balconies, Inclusive of Heating and Hot Water.

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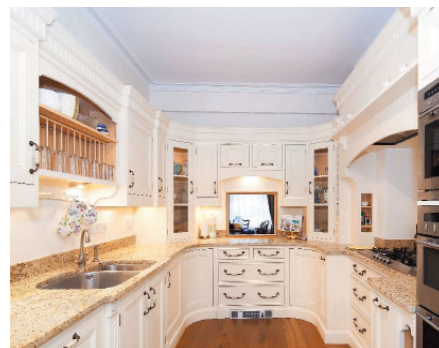
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- * Roof Terrace
- * 5 Bedrooms
- * 3 Bathrooms

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One year on...
Alexander Millett joined Knight Frank's Knightsbridge sales team in March 2011. Almost 17 months on he reflects on his experiences to date

Having spent 12 years working in Knightsbridge, Chelsea and Belgravia for a local agent, joining a global corporate firm was at first a little intimidating. The sheer scale of Knight Frank's infrastructure and global reach took some adjustment. Previously I believed that the global side of estate agency was a tool which the larger agents used to promote themselves above their smaller competitors; however, the reality is that both our clients and purchasers benefit enormously from our global reach.

What I found is that Knight Frank actually practises what it preaches. There is a constant flow of information between all our offices, both nationally and internationally. The Knightsbridge office is in regular contact with our local offices in Russia, the Middle East, Hong Kong and India, which really has a significant impact on our day to day business. I always get a buzz when opening an email from overseas colleagues referring a prospective buyer who is looking to purchase a home in London.

All in all, I am thoroughly enjoying working for Knight Frank and the opportunities which it provides. If you have a bright idea there is always a group of partners willing to listen, and if feasible the idea is planned and actioned. I am thrilled to be part of such a successful and approachable partnership.

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Pimms o'clock

Jackson-Stops & Staff hosted their eagerly-anticipated annual summer "Pimmslico" evening at their Sussex Street office in Pimlico. Friends and locals were welcomed by the Directors of Jackson-Stops for Pimms and a variety of delicious canapés by Lush Deli – as one delighted guest was heard to say: "Pimmslico is now the 'must attend' event for Pimlico residents." And we at The Resident are inclined to agree. (Pictured: Harry Buchanan and Georgie Clarke from the Pimlico office).

*Jackson-Stops & Staff,
020 7828 4050*



Thurloe Square, SW7

£5,900 per week unfurnished

What: A substantial house with generous, well planned accommodation and its own private garden.

Wow factor: Features a master bedroom with en-suite bathroom and a further five bedrooms.

Extras: Large receiving entrance hall, drawing room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, five further bathrooms, three cloakrooms, and use of garden square.

Patterson Bowe, 020 7581 3253



Shaftesbury Mews, W8

£2,500,000

What: An exceptionally well located freehold townhouse, ideally situated within a quiet and discreet mews in the heart of the Royal Borough.

Wow factor: This superb property has been fully refurbished and beautifully designed throughout.

Extras: Three bedrooms, two bathrooms, reception room, dining room, kitchen, two balconies, and roof terrace.

Bective Leslie Marsh, 020 7795 4288



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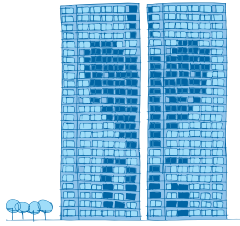


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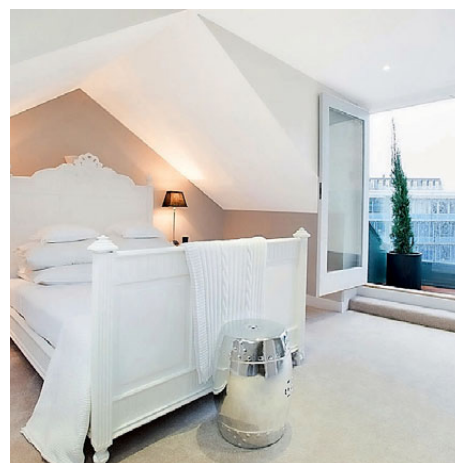
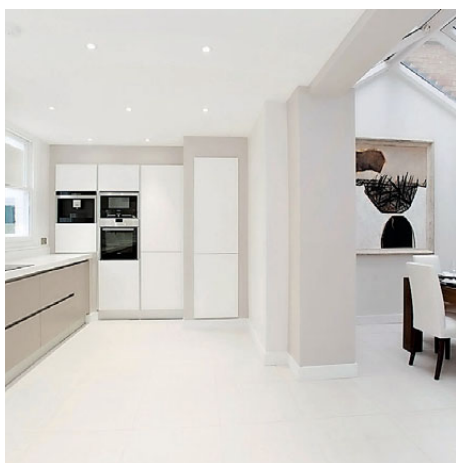
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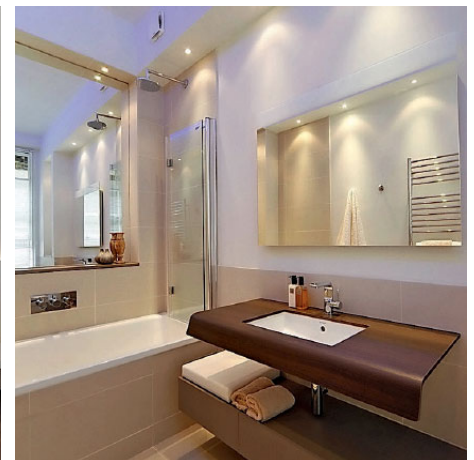
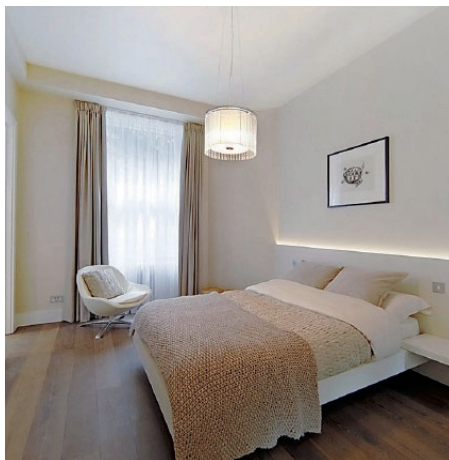
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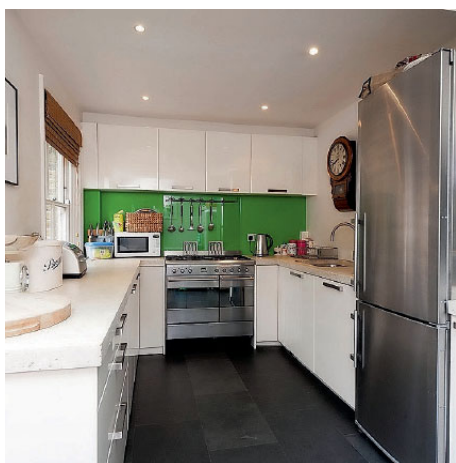
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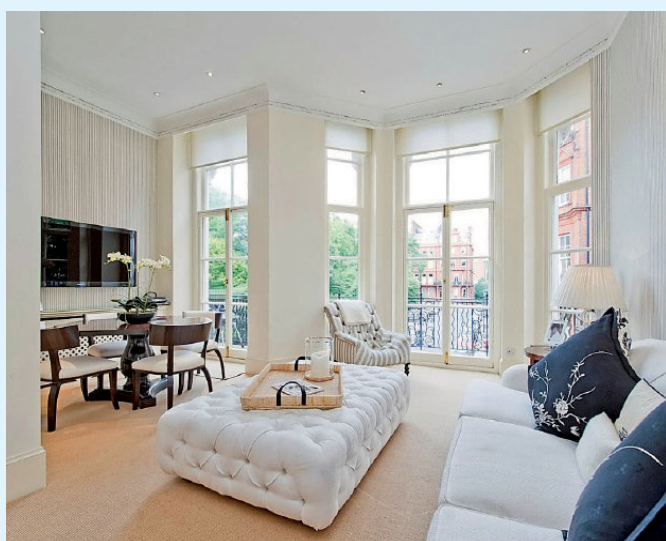


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Scarsdale Villas W8

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